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NEW HIGH-PERFORMANCE MONOPLANES

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Flying in co-operation with ground forces in an essential part of the activities of a modern Air Force. Range-finding for artillery, location of enemy troops and lines of communication, aerial photography, the study of activities behind the enemy lines, and attack with bombs or machine-gun fire on trenches and strong points are among the many duties that devolve upon air squadrons attached to an army. Experience of the War, in which aeroplanes made their first appearance, proved conclusively that in many conditions of warfare success of ground movements depends entirely on the efficiency of air co-operation. Without his aeroplanes an army commander is blind.

Developments in strategical and tactical methods since the War have emphasized the need for aircraft designed from the start to meet the peculiar requirements of army co-operation flying. Gone are the days in which, at a pinch, any type of two-seat aeroplane might be detached for liaison flying. Efficient co-operation is attainable only through the employment of a specialized form of aeroplanes and the new Westland monoplane was designed from start to finish for the most effective performance of army co-operation duties.

The new aeroplane, a high-wing monoplane built of aluminium alloy and steel, was planned, built, and flown to the satisfaction of official test pilots in the brief space of 12 months—a noteworthy engineering achievement. The new army co-operation aeroplane fulfils admirably all of the demands imposed upon it by army liaison work, and in addition, is capable of extremely high flying performance. In spite of its roomy fuselage and great capacity for

load, it is faster than any single-seat fighter yet in service with any of the world's Air Forces, but can fly under full control at speeds slow enough for leisurely reconnaissance over the battle-front, and land and take-off in a small field. Mr. H. J. Penrose, Westland test pilot, showed conclusively in a recent demonstration before experts at the company's aerodrome that the new monoplane possesses extraordinary flying qualities, of which the more immediately impressive are an exceptionally wide speed range, ability to climb like a rocket, and amazing ease and power of control. These attributes must be credited in large part to the ingenious planning of the Hunsley Page automatic wing-slots and automatically operated wing-flaps which increase head resistance and "lift" to a point where the machine takes off after a very short run and comes in to land at an abnormally steep angle.

PILOT'S OUTLOOK

A radial air-cooled Bristol Mercury supercharged engine provides power, driving a controllable-pitch three-bladed metal airscrew in the nose of the fuselage. Later machines of the type may be fitted with the new Perseus sleeve-valved engine, when the already astonishing top speed should be further increased and the cruising endurance augmented.

Requirements of army co-operation flying occupied the company's designers at every stage of their work. The essential need of the best possible outlook for the pilot led to the decision to build a high-wing monoplane, in which there is no wing structure to interfere with down-ward view. For the same reason, the pilot's seat was located in front of the leading edge of the wings, and level with them. Enclosing the pilot's compartment, and extending back to cover the compartment occupied by the observer-gunner, are large transparent sliding roofs. The entire cabin is heated by a supply of fresh air, warmed by passage around the engine oil coolers, which is controllable independent-

ly by pilot and observer. The fuselage, of excellent streamline form, is unusually roomy and the standard of comfort provided is as high as that found in many modern commercial aircraft—an important factor in maintenance of military efficiency and morale in flights that may last for several hours at a time.

REDUCING HEAD RESISTANCE

Examination reveals the great skill and ingenuity that went to the design of every component part. The wings are highly tapered, and carry a very heavy load, yet their profile and plan form are so well chosen that, with the help of the wing-slots and slotted flaps, the craft can take off and land in small areas and fly at those slow speeds rendered desirable alike in the interests of efficient liaison flying and of security. The undercarriage is fixed, but its novel cantilever form and faired castings mean notably low head resistance. Landing lights are installed with the wheel cases. The external finish is highly polished, thereby lessening "skin friction," which is an important factor in head resistance. A streamlined "spinner" covers the hub of the controllable-pitch airscrew. Adjustable flaps at the rear of the engine cowling provide efficient cooling in all conditions of flight.

The Westland monoplane establishes United Kingdom technical supremacy in yet another category of military aircraft. Its performance far exceeds the limits that were considered attainable by single-engined, multi-seat military aircraft even a year or two ago, yet its load capacity and landing qualities are much superior to those recorded of any comparable craft.

The recent feat of 26-year-old Jean Batten in flying "solo" a Percival Gull monoplane from England to New Zealand, during which she broke the "solo" record for the England to Australia flight by more than 24 hours provides further testimony to the supremacy of United Kingdom machines.

AEROPLANE PROPELLER BLADES OF SYNTHETIC RESIN

The adaptability of synthetic resins (plastics) is nowhere more strikingly exemplified than in their application to aeroplane screws or propeller blades. The application of synthetic resins to these and other aircraft parts is being investigated and developed by Aero Research Limited at White-tiesford, near Duxford. The Director has been engaged on this work for some time past with the support of the Aeronautical Research Committee and the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.

The application of forces "to materials necessarily involves distortion, and distortion involves simultaneous compression at one point in the material and tension in another. It happens that, while synthetic resins are efficient enough under compression, they show little capacity to withstand tensile strains. If, therefore, they are to

be used in circumstances where great tensile strain is involved this weakness must be corrected; and this has been done by a reinforcement of cellulose, a compound for which certain of these resins have a peculiar affinity. The resins are moulded upon the fabric at high pressure, till it has hardened, while the fabric itself is in a state of tension and, when the pressure is removed, there is a strain between the fabric and the resin of rather less than one ton to the square inch.

The present investigators have established the fact that, by giving the reinforcing fabric a large initial tension during manufacture, the stage can be substantially raised at which the material tends to yield to tensile strain.

So effective is this method of reinforcement of the resins that aeroplane propeller blades of this material have withstood severe tests, including 164 hours of test flying, with continual changes in pitch and 50 backfires, involving big fluctuating stresses and strains throughout the mass of the screws.

ROAD SCHEMES IN PERIL?

Clear Statement Needed

Is the Government's rearmament scheme to imperil the roads? That is a question on which an authoritative pronouncement is required. The Chancellor of the Exchequer stated in the House of Commons, some months ago, that the disappearance of the Road Fund in its old form would not mean that the highways would be starved. So far, so good; but is the decision of the House of Commons, when it is asked to vote money for the roads, to be seriously influenced by the expense—invariably very high—of the rearmament programme?

The matter is worthy of further elucidation in view of Mr. Hore-Belisha's recent reply to a question as to the Government's attitude towards, among other projects, the proposal to receive the Severn Bridge scheme. He said that "primary regard must be had to the overriding importance of the national defence programme and the demands which that programme would progressively make upon the national resources." Just what did the Minister of Transport mean by that? If the "resources" are represented by materials, such as steel, motorists will not quarrel with him; but if the Government are proposing to say that the roads are to be starved of money, car owners will have a great deal to say. We hope that Mr. Hore-Belisha will find an early opportunity to clear up the uncertainty.

THE SCOTTISH SHOW

A Definite Turn Of The Tide Noticeable

While industry generally in Scotland has been slower in reacting to the influence of returning prosperity than it has in England nevertheless, so far as the automobile branch of it is concerned, it may be said that the thirty-fifth annual Scottish Motor Exhibition is likely to mark the definite turn of the tide. The exhibition, was opened in the Kelvin Hall, Glasgow, and it is a truly representative one, offering to Scottish and Northern motorists cars of all types, sizes and prices. While the greatest interest is naturally being shown in the smaller and medium-sized cars, there is a considerable number of motorists who devote their attention to the larger and more expensive vehicles.

In opening the Exhibition the Earl of Rosebery, D.S.O., M.C., said that it would not be out of place to congratulate the Minister of Transport on his appointment to the Cabinet, as it was not only a

second from a standstill in 28 seconds. And all these things were done in such a way that you hardly heard anything. The price of the limousine is £2,550.

1937 TREND IN U.S.A.

More Space For Passengers And Luggage

The cars exhibited at the New York Show demonstrated in a most interesting manner the radical difference between the ideas of the American and the European designer. It is obvious that the American manufacturer is interested in himself more and more in the coachwork of the cars he controls, deeming, no doubt, that the chassis has reached a point of development where, unless and until the rear engine position is adopted, little radical change is necessary.

The American car is now carrying a larger body with wider seats. These seats have been placed even more within the wheelbase than hitherto by pushing the engine farther forward, and it is most noticeable that a special effort has been made to arrange accommodation for all the luggage one might need, even on a long tour. Apart from that, of course, the radiator as a visible entity has practically disappeared, and the cars externally have entirely changed their appearance, having flowing lines rather than being streamlined.

The instruments are becoming easier to read, warm air is being supplied to the screen, the range of view from the seats has been increased, and it is interesting to see that V-type screens are apparently popular.

As to mechanical details, the V engine is more popular; independent suspension is more tidy, and steel finds a still greater part in the construction of the bodies, which mostly have one-piece tops without a sliding roof. There is at present little evidence of sloping or narrower bonnets being used to improve visibility.

1,766 CIVIL AIRCRAFT IN GREAT BRITAIN

There are now 1,766 civil aircraft in Great Britain and Northern Ireland, according to the Résumé of Commercial Information issued recently by the Air Ministry. Of these, 152 are registered under regular air transport companies. France, Germany, and the United States of America are ahead of Britain in the numbers of civil aircraft. France has 2,258, Germany 1,812, and the United States 9,342. Italy has 452 civil aircraft, and of these, 94 are registered under regular air transport companies.

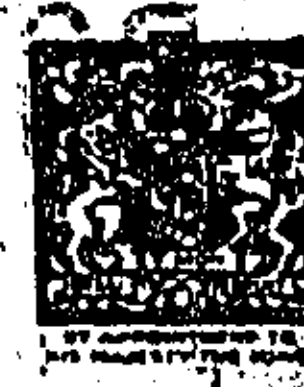
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MOTOR JOTTINGS

THE LUXURY OF SPEED

"Silent Flight"

THE 12-CYLINDER ROLLS-ROYCE

BY JOHN PRIOLEAU

"Silent flight" is, admittedly, not a good description of the way of a car on the road, but just now I cannot think of a better by which to convey even the roughest impression of the behaviour of the new 50-h.p. twelve-cylinder Rolls-Royce I took over "The Observer" trial route.

All kinds of stupid phrases occurred to me at the time, mostly clichés of the worst class (not, be relieved, including the poetry of motion), and not one of them was the slightest help; but of the several impressions left upon me by that run, the most urgent were noiselessness and immense speed. This car is well-sprung and it holds the road well. It is a fine piece of machinery, the engine an everlasting joy to the eye and mind. As much can fairly be said of one or two others, and these were not the great things about the new Roll-Royce. They were the speed and the quite superlative absence of mechanical noise.

You may very justly object that such speeds are so easily reached by this car are useless, if not worse, at this stage of public transport. I agree, but only from the practical point of view. It may not serve any serious purpose to be able to eat up the miles at the rate of one and a half every minute, nor, perhaps, to be able to do so with the minimum of delay; but it is certainly luxurious. And this car, at £2,600 of so, is meant to be luxurious.

The facts are, of course, that it was the way in which it was done that mattered and not the thing itself. The only car, other than a racer, I have ever driven that was

faster than this limousine (weighing something like two and a quarter tons), was the old supercharged 44-litre Bentley, which could show over a hundred and twenty miles an hour. In that splendid thing you went extremely fast, but you were well aware of it. At sixty, seventy miles an hour, and beyond, your ear and sense of touch told you pretty well how fast you were going. At eighty, in the new Roll-Royce, complete with vast seven-seated body, it feels like forty.

"A NICE EIGHTY"

Cold fact. Not, of course, if you were driving and therefore looking closely at the road. Looked at sideways the edge of the road went past you like telegraph poles flick past a railway-carriage window in, say, the "Cheltenham Flier," and through the windscreen it was a grey blur upon which distant dots became, in what seemed a split second, overtaken cars. If you had no need to look at the road but were occupied with talk or print you might have thought to yourself "we are doing a nice forty." You heard no noises at all unless you count the rush of the wind.

In two respects that is an exaggeration. The engine, having covered over 15,000 miles (it was the first of the series), was suffering from one worn tappet-ball. This was only audible when you opened the bonnet and set the engine-speed at its lowest. That regular faint click did no more and no less than violently emphasise the general silence. In motion there was nothing to hear from the gear-box on second, third and top, and it was only at twenty miles an hour or so that I could distinguish the faint hum of the over-run in the back-axle. And even that was only when I was driving.

All of which may help you to understand why I have had to fall back upon that empty phrase, silent flight. The pull of this engine is as elastic as, I imagine, is the flight of a bird, and seems to betray no more effort. With unbelievable ease we reached 88 miles an hour from 30 in what

seemed to be about a quarter of a mile, and at that moment the engine seemed only to be beginning to extend itself. It is well that the four-wheel brakes are rapid and certain in their action, for without them this car would be excessively dangerous. You miscalculate her speed by at least forty per cent.

SPECIAL POINTS

For the rest, it is a very nice motor-car. The twelve cylinders, which have a bore and stroke of 82.5 by 114.3, are arranged in two banks, V-set, of six. There are several points of interest in the design, chief among them being the following:—

(1) The valves are hydraulically self-adjusting and work off a single camshaft. The only possible cause of inequality of adjustment is wear in the steel balls in the rockers. One of these twelve has lost girth, as I have explained, and allowed a faint click to be heard. A new one will restore silence.

(2) The use of one carburettor only. This must mean an outstanding achievement in the way of distribution.

(3) The warning light that shows when the level in the 33-gallon petrol tank is low; and

(4) The shock-absorber dampers, to which an "over-riding control" is fitted, operated from the steering-wheel.

The suspension, independent in front, is good, and the road-holding, controlled at will by the lever working the shock-absorber dampers, excellent. You can corner as hoggishly as you please and, in a few yards, be driving with the suspension set for the street or for the roughest surface. The foot-brake is first-class, as I said, but the hand-brake is only good for parking. I thought the steering quite the best yet made by Rolls-Royce. There was only a slight kick on the wheel over the Box Hill rough.

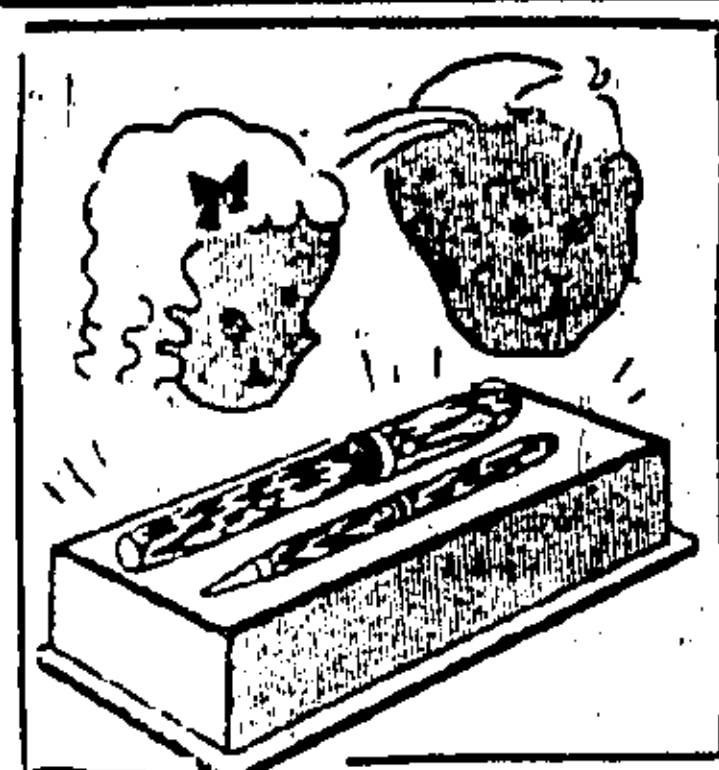
Box Hill was taken as fast as was safe on third (the first hair-pin bend showed off the admirable lock), and Pebblecombe, maximum gradient 1 in 54, was climbed on

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Treaty

NO SECRET BUILDING BY GERMANY

BY HECTOR C. BYWATER
"Daily Telegraph" Naval
Correspondent

It is, learn, improbable that the new naval treaty, signed in London by the British Commonwealth, the United States, and France, on March 25 last, will come into force on the date originally specified—Jan. 1, 1937. So far it has been ratified by America only, though ratification by the other signatories is merely a question of time. Italy and Japan are standing out, the latter definitely, but it is hoped that Italy will enter the compact at some future date. So far as the signatory Powers are concerned the delay in satisfaction will have no ill effects, for a special clause provides for the exchange of information about new naval construction during the interregnum.

In London naval circles, the validity of the new French programme, announced in The "Daily Telegraph" yesterday, in relation to the 1936 Naval Treaty, is being discussed. The view is generally held that the proposed building of three additional 8in gun cruisers would be an infringement of the treaty unless France invoked the so-called "escape" clause, citing German naval construction as a reason.

GERMAN PROGRAMME

But it is pointed out, on good authority, that the German programme is being kept well within the limits imposed by the Anglo-German treaty, and that there is not the slightest evidence of secret building by that country.

Germany so far has laid down only three 10,000-ton 8in gun cruisers, though she is entitled to build five. Further, she has started only 87,000 tons of full-scale battleships up to now, whereas France has built or begun 123,000 tons.

At a conservative estimate, the French navy to-day is two and a half times as strong as the German, so that France has no real grounds for invoking the escalator clause.

Thanks to the Anglo-German treaty the British Government is better informed as to the progress of German construction than the French authorities are likely to be, and its latest information, it is understood, disproves the Paris report that Germany is building a great deal of new tonnage in secret.

BRITAIN'S EXAMPLE

The British Government is setting a good example of meticulous observance of treaty engagement.

According to the Washington Treaty of 1930, which expires at the end of this month, the four "Hawkins" class cruisers were to be scrapped before Jan. 1, 1937, as their armament of 7.5in guns places them in the heavy cruiser category, of which our quota is already filled.

Recently, however, by arrangement with the United States and Japan, it was decided to scrap five old "C" class cruisers instead, and at the same time to rearm three of the Hawkins group with 8in guns. The fourth unit, Vindictive, was to be demilitarised and used as a training ship for naval cadets, while the Frobenius, hitherto employed in that capacity, is to be one of the rearmend ships.

It was intended that the Vindictive should be ready for her first cruise as a training ship early next month, but she is still in dockyard hands. Consequently, the Frobenius to take her place, and will leave Chatham some time in January with a large contingent of Dartmouth and public school cadets for a cruise lasting about three months.

To conform with treaty rules her six 7.5in guns are to be removed from the ship at once, and she will therefore sail without any armament at all. On her return she will be taken in hand to be fitted out as a 6in-gun cruiser for commerce protection.

According to a doctor, the popular theory that the nose acts as a filter is a fallacy. All the same, people would be well advised to retain theirs on the chance that some day it might come in useful.

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Radio Rostov-on-Don (Russia) broadcasts interesting information on experiments with backward and deficient children, conducted by Professor Bogoraz of the Dept. of Surgery, University of Rostov. One of the subjects is a boy of 11 who presented the mental level of a child of 3. Instead of grafting the thyroid gland in the usual manner, Prof. Bogoraz incorporated it into the boy's circulatory system, by tying the small blood vessels of the gland to the child's vessels. In this manner he avoided the re-absorption of the grafted gland which retained its full activity. The effects of the operation were amazing. After 10 days the boy became almost normal.

A similar operation on a girl of 12, of the size of a child of 4, resulted in a notable increase of her stature. The pituitary gland re-

NEW CAIRO CATHEDRAL

The foundation stone of the new Cairo Anglican Cathedral was laid recently by Dr. Gwynne, Bishop of Egypt and the Sudan, in the presence of the High Commissioner and Lady Lampton and leading members of the British community and other Christian churches.

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Several months ago Prof. Bogoraz successfully treated a dwarf girl of 15 with this method. A first grafting resulted in an increase of 3 inches, and a second added a further 2 1/2 inches to the size of the subject.

A CENTRE FOR WANDERING SCOTS

Lord Strathcarron was the chief speaker at the annual dinner of the St. Andrew's Club of London, held at Grosvenor House recently under the chairmanship of Mr. O. C. Summers. Submitting the toast of "The Club," Lord Strathcarron said that in the short space of seven years it had carved out a niche in the Empire. It was the centre where wandering Scots from every part of the world at some time or other met to have a crack about old times. Scotland had worked out its own salvation, as it had done also for other countries, by the spirit of its genius. He wanted no separation of Scotland from England; much less did he want its separation from the Empire. In every part of the world they would find Scottish genius, Scottish justice, and a true conception of truth and freedom.

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12.30 to 2.15 p.m.—European programme.
12.30 p.m.—Dance music.
1 p.m.—Local: Time signal and weather report.
1.03 p.m.—Excerpts from Light Opera.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press, Local: Time, weather forecast and announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Relay—from the Rotary Club Tiffin at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden. Speaker: Bishop Hall. Subject: "The Boys' Club."
2 p.m.—Light Orchestral music.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
Talk by G. B. Gifford Hull from the Studio
Jazz Piano Recital.
4 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7 to 11 p.m.—European programme.
7 p.m.—
"De Meistersinger"—Wagner
Act 2. Jerum! Jerum! (Cobbling Song)—Friedrich Schorr (baritone).
Act 3. Gruss! Gott! Mein Junker (Sir Knight, I greet you); and Mein Freund, In Holder Jugendzeit (My friend, when youth's desires compel)—F. Schorr (baritone) and R. Laubenthal (tenor).
Finale of Opera—Verachtet mir die Meister nicht; and Was Deutsch und echt—Friedrich Schorr (baritone).
7.20 p.m.—London: Christmas Marks and Legends from Ireland. Read by Florence Marks.
7.30 p.m.—Closing local stock quotations and Hong Kong exchange market report.
7.35 p.m.—
De Groot and His Orchestra
Ay, Ay, Ay (Perez and Freire).
Standchen (Strauss).
Gipsy Love—Selection (Lehar).
In the Night (Tate).
Under the roofs of Paris (Moretti).
I Love You (Grieg).
Romance (Rubinstein).
8 p.m.—Local: Time signal, weather report and announcements.
8.03 p.m.—London: "Empire Magazine," No. 19. Christmas Number, specially enlarged and decorated. Edited by Pascoe Thornton.
8.45 p.m.—
From the Studio
H. L. Ozorio at the piano:
1. Lee Sims transcription: Gotta feelin' for you.
2. Old favourites medley: Someday Sweetheart; I ain't got nobody; Dinah.
3. Moon-glow.
4. Medley: Leaving memories behind; Solitude; Must I forget?
5. Swing: What a night; I'm confessin'; Rose room.
9 p.m.—London: The news and announcements.
9.20 p.m.—London: The Second Cricket Test Match: Australia v. England. An account of the fourth day's play by Alan Kippax, from Sydney. (Electrical recording).
9.35 p.m.—Serenade from "The Student Prince" (Donnelly & Romberg)—Sung by Allan Prior, Raymond Marlowe, Paul Clemon, Olaf Olson and Chorus.
9.40 p.m.—
From the Studio
A talk by G. B. Gifford Hull: "Uncontrolled Water."
10 p.m.—London: Big Ben. "Imperial Affairs." A talk by H. V. Hodson.
10.15 p.m.—Dance music.
11 p.m.—Close down.

BERLIN PROGRAMME

1.05 p.m.—Call DJA, DJB (German, English).
German Folk Song.
1.10 p.m.—Light Concert.
2 p.m.—News in German.
2.15 p.m.—Light Concert (continued).
2.55 p.m.—Greetings to our listeners in New Zealand.
3 p.m.—News and Economic Review in English.
3.15 p.m.—To-day in Germany. Sound Pictures.
3.30 p.m.—We have an Hour in the Twilight.
Music and Poetry.
4.15 p.m.—Great Entertainment Concert.
5.30 p.m.—News and Economic Review in German.
6.45 p.m.—Little German Reader.
6 p.m.—The Tree. Short Radio-Play by Walther Gottfried Kluke.
6.15 p.m.—Sign off DJA and DJB (German, English).
6.50 p.m.—Call DJA, DJB, DJE (German, English).
German Folk Song.
7 p.m.—Concert of Light Music.
8 p.m.—News in English.
8.15 p.m.—Concert of Light Music (continued).

8.55 p.m.—Greetings to our listeners in the Netherlands East Indies.
9 p.m.—News and Economic Review in German and Call DJQ.
9.15 p.m.—Folk Song Singing by the Hitler Youth.
9.30 p.m.—Solo Concert: Prof. Hinze-Reinhold, Cembalo. Suite G minor by Handel. German Aria with variations by Alessandro Poglietti.
10 p.m.—News and Economic Review in English on DJE, DJQ in Netherlandish on DJA, DJB.
10.15 p.m.—To-day in Germany. Sound Pictures.
10.30 p.m.—A Little German Reader.
10.45 p.m.—Concert of Items by Request: Hallo, hallo! You wish—we play.
11.45 p.m.—Topical Talk.
12 midnight.—Sign off DJA, DJB, DJQ, DJE (German, English).

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7 a.m.—Sign Off.
9.30 a.m.—Nielsen Financial Review and Musical Varieties.
11.15 a.m.—Sign Off.
2.30 p.m.—Nielsen Financial Review and Musical Varieties.
3.45 p.m.—Sign Off.
6 p.m.—Song and Movie Magazine of the Air, sponsored by the Literary Song-Movie Magazine.
6.15 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.
6.35 p.m.—English Informational Period.
6.55 p.m.—Stock quotations, through the courtesy of Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.
7 p.m.—Ladies' String Quartet, with Jose V. Carreon, pianist.
7.30 p.m.—To be announced.
7.45 p.m.—Alma Corro, Charmain Boomer and Bill Coe (Chain KZEG).
8 p.m.—Programme Preview.
8.05 p.m.—Records.
8.10 p.m.—"Sampaguita," conducted by Remigio Mat. Castro.
9 p.m.—Mandalayon. Estate Programme.
8.40 p.m.—Stock Quotations and local market reports.
8.55 p.m.—Stock Quotations in Spanish, through the courtesy of L. R. Nielsen and Company.
9.30 p.m.—Musical Varieties.
10 p.m.—Sign Off.

REVIVING A FROZEN PIG

At Los Angeles recently Dr. Ralph Willard froze a guinea pig solid, then revived it. The guinea pig immediately nibbled a piece of spinach, apparently none the worse for refrigeration. Dr. Willard, 32, a swarthy, Russian-born chemist, next proposed to freeze and revive a dog, then a monkey, then an ape, then perhaps a human. His ultimate purpose: "To use freezing to kill bacteria of certain diseases while retaining suspended life in the tissues."

Before freezing the guinea pig, Dr. Willard injected sodium citrate into its veins to prevent its blood from clotting after the heart ceased beating. Next he put the creature in a soft, brown handful, into an asphyxiating chamber which he pumped full of ether and oxygen. When the guinea pig was unconscious Dr. Willard replaced the ether-oxygen with carbon dioxide, and with that atmosphere slowly cooled the guinea pig until it was ice-hard. In that dead state the hard, brown handful remained several hours.
To revive the guinea pig, Dr. Willard gradually warmed it, until its body temperature was normal (105° F.). An injection of adrenaline and epinephrine started the creature's heart pumping, a transfusion of fresh guinea pig blood gave it vigor until it could regenerate its own blood—Times, New York.

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Dodin had just finished an imposing statue of the poet, Victor Hugo, standing upright on the crest of a rock, with Muses and Ocean deities circling about him. One morning the sculptor brought a troupe of journalists to his studio to contemplate the new work. Unfortunately, the evening before, he had left the window open and, as a terrible storm had broken out during the night, a stream of water had reduced the huge group to formless pulp. Victor Hugo had snored down into a sea of mud.

Rodin opened the door and allowed his guests to go in first. Suddenly he beheld the disaster. He all but tore his beard with despair. But the chorus of praise had already begun.

"Wonderful! Marvellous! Victor Hugo rising from this bed of slime, what a symbol! Master, it is a stroke of genius! You have tried to represent the ignominy of an epoch in which the inspiration of the bard alone survived, noble and pure. How beautiful!"
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The lovely, wide-eyed beauty, Loretta Young, who is co-starred with Robert Taylor in "Secret Interlude," the Fox romantic hit at the King's Theatre currently, discovered early that she was in no danger of being "typed" as an actress fit only for certain roles and began to encourage the casting directors to put her in the most varied parts available.

Her parents were sternly opposed to Loretta becoming a juvenile actress and they banded her off to Robinson College where she remained practically throughout her childhood.

When Loretta graduated, her sister Polly Ann Young, had already achieved a foothold on the screen and she introduced Loretta to the film world by permitting her to substitute when she was ill one day. Loretta made good with a vengeance and came home with a contract for the leading feminine role in "Laugh, Clown, Laugh."

Loretta's interest in pictures is so great that she never misses seeing any film. Her hobby is photograph and she carries a small camera with her at all times. Her particular delight is to snap her friends and associates in informal poses when they aren't looking.

Yacning and riding are her favorite exercises but she doesn't like to swim. Loretta is five feet, three inches in height, and weighs thirty-eight pounds. Her hair is golden and her eyes blue.

In "Secret Interlude," Loretta plays a personal maid who falls in love with Robert Taylor, a millionaire's son. It is just the type of role that she delights in, being emotional, romantic, and tinged with light comedy.

Roy Del Ruth directed "Secret Interlude," and Raymond Griffith was associate producer. The supporting cast features Patsy Kelly, Basil Rathbone and Marguerite Gate-

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:—"Secret Interlude."

QUEEN'S:—"My American Wife."

ORIENTAL:—"Human Cargo."

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—"Too Tough To Kill."

MAJESTIC:—"Imitation Of Life."

STAR:—"The Princess Comes Across."

Coming

KING'S:—"Murder By An Aristocrat."

QUEEN'S:—"Mummy's Boys."

ORIENTAL:—"Poor Little Rich Girl."

ALHAMBRA:—"Walking On Air."

STAR:—"Brides Are Like That."

MAJESTIC:—"The Law In Her Hands."

"TOO TOUGH TO KILL"

Dynamic and colourful, Columbia's "Too Tough To Kill," which features Jory and Sally O'Neill opening to-day at the Alhambra Theatre, is a robust story of a courageous and brawny engineer, played by Jory, who fights the elements of nature and a gang of murderers to complete a tunnel project within a set time.

When cave-ins, explosions, landslides and deaths occur with too frequent regularity on the project, Victor Jory, as John O'Hara, is put in charge of the project. At the same time Ann Miller, a beautiful and competent newspaper reporter, played by Sally O'Neill, is sent to construction camp by her paper, which is supporting the project, to discover what is holding back progress.

When Miss O'Neill discovers that the chief assistant is planning to murder a group of miners working deep in the mine, and kill Jory as well in the catastrophe by exploding a charge of dynamite in order to stop work on the project, it is Miss O'Neill who races into the tunnel to save the miners and the man she realizes she loves.

Fine acting is featured in every scene of the picture and the work of virile Victor Jory who has a hard fist for tough guys is outstanding. Miss O'Neill's performance is charming and capable.

The fast-tempo director Ross Lederman maintained throughout the picture gives "Too Tough To Kill" a nerve and pulse-tingling robustness.

Ward Bond, Thurston Hall, Gene Morgan, Frank Rice, Robert Gleckler and Johnny Arthur are included in the supporting cast.

"MY AMERICAN WIFE"

A light, romantic story is deftly and amusingly told on the screen of the Queen's Theatre where Paramount's breezy romance, "My American Wife," which is showing to-day with Francis Lederer and Ann Sothern in starring roles.

"My American Wife" is taken from an original by Elmer Davis and directed by Harold Young. Young has chosen a cast of seasoned character players to back up the stars, headed by Fred Stone and Billie Burke and including among the toppers Ernest Cossart and Grant Mitchell.

Lederer's role is cut out for the star; he is cast as an European nobleman who marries an American girl of wealth, Miss Sothern, and returns with her to her family home in Arizona.

Miss Burke, mother of the girl, determined to capitalize on her daughter's new title of Countess and on the decorative effect of the Count's medals and braid. She begins a systematic social campaign, with him as ammunition, and gradually draws her daughter to feeling things her way.

Count Ferdinand von Reidenbach, however, is irritated. He likes the West, and has determined that he'll settle down on a ranch, learn cowboy ways, and follow Miss Sothern's old grandfather, Stone, in wrestling his living from the soil.

Gradually the couple drift apart, and Stone, who at first hated the sight of his new grandson-in-law, grows to be his best friend. In

"IMITATION OF LIFE"

"Magnificent" may be a much abused word, even in Hollywood, but nothing else will adequately describe "Imitation of Life," the Fannie Hurst novel which John M. Stahl made into a picture for Universal, starring Claudette Colbert and Warren William coming to-day to the Majestic theatre.

It is a magnificent production. Some notion of the scale on which this film has been produced can be gained from the fact that one single setting cost \$10,000. Nothing about this set was extraordinary. The cost came about merely to make the set perfect and authentic.

In all 48 sets were built for "Imitation of Life." One of these was a complete town house in New York City, containing 15 rooms, a real kitchen and a garden behind it. This garden was soddied with actual grass and flowers were planted there. From the garden a view of the East River was seen in the distance. Model vessels capable of operating under their own power were made for this scene and a small scale replica of the Fifty-ninth Street Bridge was erected in the background. A system of tiny moving electric lights in procession across the bridge indicating traffic in the night scene shot in the garden was effective.

Absolute realism was insisted on for this production. In the early sequences, Claudette Colbert operates a restaurant, specialising in flapjacks. For the week spent in shooting this sequence, a tank of real pancake batter was mixed, cooked and eaten every day. The daily cost of the food used in this restaurant, bread, butter, tea, coffee, doughnuts, cake and pie was amazing. A replica of the famous Atlantic City Boardwalk was built extending over 250 feet and furnished with shops and booths.

An apartment furnished in modernistic style was built for Warren William's home and the New York town house which was Miss Colbert's home was furnished in every room in Adam style from fireplace to picture mouldings. A deep sea fishing expedition was outfitted to bring in a collection of rare fish to stock nine small aquariums in the setting, representing Warren William's study. William is a marine scientist in the picture. This expedition was out of sight of land for five weeks. A fishing ship had to be chartered for this voyage. Tank trucks were hired and filled with sea water to bring the fish to the studio in their own element. The setting itself beyond all this initial expense, cost upward of \$10,000 to outfit, with its plate glass tanks and sheet iron reservoirs from which they were refilled.

All in all, "Imitation of Life" ranks among the most sumptuous production ever made. This was not extravagance, but economy. Fannie Hurst, in "Imitation of Life" wrote a magnificent story. Universal has strained every nerve to make it a magnificent picture in a magnificent setting.

COLONEL LINDBERGH TAKES DE VALERA FOR FLIGHT

Mr. De Valera, President of the Executive Council of the Irish Free State, went for his first flight in an aeroplane on recently.

He was making a visit to the Air Corps headquarters at Baldonnel Aerodrome, Co. Dublin, and Colonel Lindbergh, who is visiting the Irish Free State in connection with the new Transatlantic air-services, gave him a "joy ride" over the city in his private monoplane.

At the end, Stone prevents the breaking up of the Lederer-Sothern romance, which has headed for Reno.

His part in "My American Wife" is a new type of role for the romantic Francis Lederer; the fact that he appears in some sequences in cowboy outfit indicates how new. While allowing him to do his fine job of portraying a polished, titled foreigner, it at the same time gives him a chance to prove that he is more than merely an actor who looks good in uniform.

Fred Stone's performance, of course, is superb. As the positive Western old-timer, he is as convincing as he was in a similar role in "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine." Cossart, "Gentleman's Gentleman" to Lederer, in the film, turns in one of sterling butler-wit comedy roles.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22.

Anniversaries and Holidays—Winter Solstice (Tung-chin). Auctions—Public Roup of Race Ponies, at Hong Kong Jockey Club Paddock, Happy Valley, 5.15 p.m.; Cinema Projectors, etc., at 9 and 11 Kansu Street, 10.30 a.m., Kowloon.

Cinemas

King's:—"Secret Interlude."

Queen's:—"My American Wife."

Central:—"Mr. Robinson Crusoe."

Oriental:—"Human Cargo."

World:—"Chinese Picture."

Alhambra:—"Too Tough To Kill."

Majestic:—"Imitation Of Life."

Star:—"Brides Are Like That."

Dances—Carnival Dance, at St. John Ambulance Headquarters, Tai Hang Road, 9.00 p.m.

Entertainments—"Jack and the Beanstalk," at Y.M.C.A., 9.00 p.m.

Meetings—Annual of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, at Messrs. Jardine Matheson's Board Room, 5.30 p.m.; Annual Christmas Draw at Kowloon Cricket Club, 8.00 p.m.; Hong Kong Hockey Assn. Council, in St. Andrew's Church Hall, 5.30 p.m.; St. Andrew's Church Council, 6.00 p.m.

Miscellaneous—Rotary Tim.

Hong Kong-Hotel.

Rehearsals—"Eljah," Hong Kong Singers, Union Church, Kennedy Road, 5.30 p.m.

Religious—Christmas Play, Masefield's "Coming of Christ," in St. John's Cathedral, 9.15 p.m.

Social—Cheero Club Christmas Whist Drive, 9.00 p.m.; Christmas Draw and Tombola, at Royal Artillery Sergeants' Mess, Queen's Road, 8.30 p.m.

Sports

Billiards—Steel Coulson's League, R.E. Mess v. P.O. Mess; G.S. Mess v. C.S.C.C.; R.A. Mess v. C.U.C.; R.W. Fusiliers v. D.R.C.

Meeting—Annual General Meeting of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. Board Room), 5.30 p.m.

Racing—Auction of Race Ponies (Jockey Club Paddock), 5.15 p.m.

Moon—XI Moon, 9th Day.

Sunrise—5.59 a.m. Sunset—5.44 p.m.

Tides—High at 2.38 and 16.09; Low at 9.22 and 22.46.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23.

Anniversaries and Holidays—St. Victoria, V.M.

Auctions—Household Furniture, at Lammer's Hong Kong Sales Room, 2.30 p.m.

Cinemas

King's:—"Murder By An Aristocrat."

Queen's:—"Mummy's Boys."

Central:—"Mr. Robinson Crusoe."

Oriental:—"Human Cargo."

World:—"Chinese Picture."

Alhambra:—"Too Tough To Kill."

Majestic:—"The Laws In Her Hands."

Star:—"Brides Are Like That."

Entertainments—"Jack and the Beanstalk," at Y.M.C.A., 9.00 p.m.

Meetings—St. Andrew's Club Committee, 6.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous—Claims against the Estate of Wm. Alfred Comyn Platt, due; St. Andrew's Children's Christmas Tree and Gift Service, 6.00 p.m.; St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Carol Party Tour of Central Kowloon, leaving Church at 7.30 p.m.

Religious—Christmas Play, Masefield's "Coming of Christ," in St. John's Cathedral, 9.15 p.m.

Moon—XI Moon, 10th Day.

Sunrise—6.58 a.m. Sunset—5.44 p.m.

Tides—High at 01.21 and 15.20; Low at 08.35 and 20.28.

COLUMBIA SIGNS CHILD

Her entrance into the movies marking the fourth generation of her family in theatricals, 5-year-old Patsy O'Connor was signed to a long term contract at Columbia Studios recently, it is announced.

Daughter of Jack and Mildred O'Connor, members of the famed "O'Connor Family" troupe of vaudeville and musical show, re-nown, Patsy was featured for 35 weeks, at the Irish Village in the World's Fair in Chicago two years ago.

Patsy, 43 inches tall and weighing 45 pounds, is an exceptionally talented child. She sings, dances, renders impersonations and clever characterizations. Her first screen assignment has not yet been announced.

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COMMUNIST "CELLS" IN YOUTH GROUPS

Prelate's Warning

A warning against Communist attempts to secure control of youth organisations was given by the Archbishop of Liverpool, recently, when he addressed the annual meeting of the Catholic Young Men's Society in the Chantry Theatre, Wigan.

During the past twelve months, he stated, an intense campaign had been instituted with that object. There was evidence, that within a considerable number of the youth organisations there were persons, some of them in executive positions, who were working consciously of unconsciously for the destruction of religion and social order. It was true that the Communist Party, strictly so-called, was not a large body in England, but it exercised control over many subordinate organisations, through which its influence reached into well-nigh every department of the nation's life. Those organisations, often bore harmless, high-sounding names, and assumed the mark of philanthropy, and even of religious piety.

Communism was essentially atheistic, materialistic and irreligious. That doctrine to crude, barbarous, irrational and destructive of all human rights and liberties should in less than twenty years have secured domination over a vast part of the human race, suggested the presence behind the Communist movement of a power that could be described only as "diabolic."

CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

Annual Meeting

A satisfactory state of affairs was revealed in the chairman's report at the annual meeting of the China Light and Power Company, which was held in the Company's office in St. George's Building yesterday morning when it was announced that the Company was in the fortunate position of being able to maintain the dividend paid last year.

Among those present were the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo (chairman), Mr. A. H. Compton, Sir Ely Kadoorie, K.B.E., Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, O.B.E., Mr. L. Kadoorie, Mr. D. W. Munton (Manager), Mr. Noel Braga (Secretary), Mr. Chua Beng Choo, Mr. A. M. d'Eca, Mr. A. S. Gubbay, Mr. Lau Chung Keung, Mr. H. K. Lee, Mrs. J. H. K. Lee, Mr. A. H. Mackenzie, Mr. K. C. Mark, Mr. I. N. Murray, Mr. G. H. Potts, Mr. H. Summers and Mr. C. M. da Silva.

After the Secretary had read the Notice of Meeting and the Auditors' Report, the Chairman said:—

"Before proceeding with the business of this meeting, I have to say that it was with profound regret that the Directors and shareholders of this Company learned of the sudden death on 13th August last of Mr. C. A. da Rosa. Mr. da Rosa had been associated with this Board since 1922 and by his passing we have suffered an irreparable loss.

The report and statement of accounts for the financial year ended 30th September, 1936, have been in your hands for the requisite period and I propose therefore to take them as read. The gross profit for the year is shown as \$1,372,502.10. After charging Profit and Loss Account with Directors' Auditors' and Consultants' fees, interest, depreciation, etc., the net profit stands at \$885,837.45. A sum of \$70,000 has been allocated to Reserve for the late General Managers' Rights, leaving, together with \$122,179.36 brought forward from last year, \$937,816.81 available for distribution.

Your Directors recommend the declaration of a dividend of 50 cents per share on the "old" shares and proportionate amounts on the 1936-issue shares, amounting to \$834,300, and that the balance of about \$103,500 be carried forward.

It will be recalled that my predecessor in the Chair predicted an increase in working costs consequent on the drop in Exchange. On the other hand, he hoped for some revival in local industry. Both these forecasts have come to pass and, although sales of power have fallen off considerably in the New Territories, the net result of the year's working leaves us in the fortunate position of being able to maintain the dividend paid last year.

Shareholders will be glad to know that forward contracts were made by the Board on somewhat favourable terms for coal and, as the result, our coal costs have been kept down for the time being. Moreover, I am happy to state that a large proportion of the cost of the additional generating plant recently ordered has been covered in that we have in hand a sum of \$85,000 purchased at an average of nearly 1/7d. to the Hong Kong Dollar.

Our coal commitments should look after our requirements for about a year or so, though the average price per ton during this period will be higher than it was last year. After that, our coal costs will probably further rise, as many other items of working expenditure have done, owing to the low Exchange value of the Hong Kong Dollar.

Therefore, while it will be our endeavour to maintain the dividend, shareholders will realise that, unless the increase in the demand for electricity is more than sufficient to offset the increase in working expenditure, profits can hardly be expected to exceed the recent level attained.

With regard to the additional generating plant, to which reference was made from this Chair last year, it is incumbent upon responsible Boards of electricity supply to anticipate larger loads, and your Board, after most careful consideration, placed an order last summer for a 12,500 K. W. Turbo-Alternator to be supplied by the Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Export Co., Ltd., of Manchester, and for a 120,000-lb. Boiler to be supplied by the International Combustion, Ltd., of Derby England. These new units, which should be installed during 1937, will be housed in new build-

ings adjoining the existing Power Station.

We have already sent to our Consulting Engineers in London, Messrs. Preece, Cardew & Rider, drawings (based on certain preliminary layout plans sent out by them to us) prepared by Mr. S. E. Faber, A.F.C., after the fullest consultation with our technical staff. Mr. Faber is our Consulting Constructional Engineer, whose services have been specially retained by the Board to carry out the construction of these important additions to the station at Hok-On. A new workshop and Store built on the most modern lines has just been completed at Hok-On and is now in use.

To complete our present programme of Capital Expenditure at Hok-On, your Board has decided to call up the balance of \$2.50 per share on the 1936-issue shares and to make such call payable on 1st April, 1937.

Before closing, I desire to express the Board's appreciation of the continued co-operation of the Company's staff, for whom, shareholders may be interested to know, we have instituted a new Provident Scheme including in its benefits provisions for life insurance for those employees who elect to take advantage of this form of investment.

I now propose that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed, that a dividend of 50 cents per share on the "old" shares and proportionate amounts on the 1936-issue shares be declared in respect of the financial year ended 30th September, 1936, and that the undivided profits after the transfer of \$70,000 to Reserve for General Managers' Rights, be carried forward.

After this has been seconded, I will answer questions from shareholders before putting the Resolution to the Meeting."

In his reply, Mr. G. H. Potts said:—
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In closing the meeting, the Chairman wished shareholders the compliments of the season.

ROTARY CLUB

At the meeting of the Rotary Club to-day Bishop Hall will speak on "The Boys' Club."

POLICE ORDERS

INDIAN COMPANY
Training Course (Part II).—The undermentioned members of the Indian Company will attend Indian Company Headquarters on Tuesday, December 22 at 17.30 hours for Part II. of Training Course:—

Constables R201 S. I. Bux, R210 Abdullah Shah, R213 S. B. Hussain, R216 Lal Khan, R236 M. S. Dillon, R207 Fazal Nahi Oppal, R206 Mohamed Ali Oppal, R225 Kasim Ali, R226 A. R. Razack and R293 Jaffer Mohamed.

FLYING SQUAD

Commendation: Crown Sergeant R333 A. W. Mooney is commended by the Inspector General of Police for the conscientious manner in which he performed his special duties during Safety First Week. C. CHAMPKIN, D.S.P. (R.).

A "SHOCKING" GOVERNOR

Comments By "North China Daily News"

DAYLIGHT SAVING IN LIMELIGHT

Sir Andrew Caldecott must be a disturbing personality for some of the oldest inhabitants of Hong Kong to contemplate. He likes to get things done. He also likes to consider new ideas and, naughtily enough, he does not abandon them just because they are new to Hong Kong. Moreover he is persistent enough to ask for reasons when his startling innovations are incontinently rejected. Shanghai has sensibly solved its daylight saving problem by the simple device of changing office hours. It could not put the clock back as is done in England and other places, because of the complexity of its administrative arrangements. Sir Andrew, realising how beneficial to young—and perhaps old—Islanders would be a more spacious opportunity of using the sun's rays for recreation in the afternoon, has proposed that Hong Kong should go in for "daylight saving."

The Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce has had this question before it and has taken Mr. Podsnap's historic pose: "away with it." That is in accord with Hong Kong's most cherished traditions but, unfortunately, there is a new Governor with new-fangled ideas learnt in Malaya—"in Malaya," murmurs the Peak to the Harbour with ineffably languorous disgust—and he refuses to be satisfied with the motto "Give your verdict but never your reasons." At least he holds that that motto may be all right for juries and, perhaps, Governors, but it is not suitable to a Chamber of Commerce. So the commercial princes of Hong Kong have to cudgel their brains to find reasons for convincing the Governor that his plan cannot be applied to Hong Kong. It is obviously a perilous predicament: it shows that the most revolutionary sentiments are let loose in Government House, but the trouble is that a Governor of Sir Andrew's calibre is likely to require good reasons if his Gadarene career is to be checked. Available folk who have been accustomed for years to find their slightest negatives accepted without question, may find it difficult if not impossible to supply the reasons of the type now demanded of the Chamber. What a shocking Governor!

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CORRESPONDENCE

Kowloon Tong Anglican Church Fete

(The Editor, "Hong Kong Daily Press.")

Dear Sir,—We would like to thank all who helped towards the success of our recent Garden Fete and those who came and spent so freely. The net proceeds of the Fete now amount to \$1,300 and money is still coming in—the final account will be published in the Church's Monthly Notes.

We wish particularly to thank Mr. F. C. Clemo and the China Light & Power Co. for the installation of special lighting and the Peacock Motion Picture Co. for the use of loudspeaking apparatus, and the following firms who donated goods to be sold at the Fete:—Messrs. Anderson Music Co., Bluebird Cafe, British American Tobacco Co., Chellaram's, Colonial Dispensary, Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., East Asiatic Co., Gilman's, Hutchison & Co., Jardine, Matheson & Co., Kowloon Dairy, Kowloon Rattan Co., Loxley & Co., Marcel Cate, Kayamally's, Mayfair Co., Nestle & Anglo Swiss Co., Oriental Handicraft Co., Wm. Powell, Ltd., da Rocha & Co., S.K. Pang, Peninsula Hotel, W.S. Sherry & Co., Sincere, Watson & Co., Ltd., Ye Olde Printerie and many others.

Finally, we wish to thank the Press of the Colony and you, Sir, for publicity and other help.

Yours faithfully,
R. ASHTON HILL
(for Garden Fete Committee, Kowloon Tong Anglican Church).

Death Of Local Indian Resident

Mr. Abdul Hamid Hamet

A well-known local Indian resident, Mr. Abdul Hamid Hamet, formerly of Penang, Straits Settlements, passed away, after a brief illness at his residence in Hennessy Road on Sunday evening at the age of 72.

The late Mr. Hamet was formerly an engineer in Penang and only came to the Colony a few years ago to live in retirement. His death will be sadly felt by his large circle of friends here and in Penang; as well as his brother, Mr. A. H. Hamet, and many relatives, and the deepest sympathy is extended to them.

A large gathering was present to pay their respects at the funeral which took place yesterday afternoon when Mulvi Noor Shah officiated at the burial rites.

The chief mourners were deceased brother, Mr. A. H. Hamet, two nephews Messrs. T. Hamet and S. Hamet and a number of relatives.

STOWAWAY TO SINGAPORE

Ngai Kam Yuen, 33, unemployed, was fined \$10 or two weeks imprisonment by Mr. E. H. Hume, worth at the Kowloon Magistracy for stowing away on the s.s. Phenix which left Hong Kong on December 1.

Detective Sergeant Hutchinson said that defendant wanted to go to Singapore and did not realise that the Phenix would call at Manila and Batavia. Defendant was discovered on the first day of the voyage, and was sent back to Hong Kong by the s.s. Menestheus which arrived on December 20.

AQUARIUM SOCIETY

A meeting of the Hong Kong Aquarium Society was held in the Biological Department of the Hong Kong University last night, when Dr. G. A. C. Herklots gave an extremely interesting lecture on "Coral reef and Islands of Java and Malaya." The lecture, which was illustrated by excellent lantern slides, was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. Dr. Herklots' lecture was the culmination of three journeys he has made in Java and Malaya. The lecturer was accorded a hearty vote of thanks at the conclusion of his address.

COLONY'S HEALTH

There were two cases of enteric fever notified to the Health Authorities during the 48 hours ending on December 20.

LOCAL ESTATES

Late Mr. Allan Keith Leaves \$115,700

Local estate sworn at \$115,700 was left by Mr. Allan Keith, formerly of Hong Kong, who died at Newdigate House, Knole Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, on September 18, 1936.

An application by Mr. G. A. Leiper, of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, the law-firm attorney for sealing a certified copy of the probate of the will and codicil has been granted by the Supreme Court.

Edith Frances Bernard, widow, who died at 61, Highfield Lane, Southampton, England, left local estate valued at \$42,800.

An application by Mr. M. M. Watson, the law-firm attorney, for sealing certified copy of grant of the probate of the will has been granted.

Mr. Augustus Henry Heath, who died at 9, Julien Road, Surrey, England, on July 14, 1936, left local estate sworn at \$12,000.

An application by Mr. R. A. Wadeson, the law-firm attorney, for sealing certified copy of the probate of the will has been granted.

AUSTRALIAN WATER SCHEME

Completed After Seventeen Years

Seventeen years ago the then Governor-General of Australia, Sir Munro Ferguson turned the first sod of the River Murray Irrigation scheme. Last month Govrie pressed an electric button, which released millions of gallons of water from the outlet valves of the Hume dam, marking the completion of the scheme.

The ceremony occurred when most of New South Wales and a large part of Southern Queensland are suffering from the worst drought since the beginning of the century.

The dam will serve and preserve from drought many millions of acres in N.S.W. State and Victoria. As modern reservoirs go, that at Hume is not so huge. It winds among hills behind the dam for forty miles, and has a storage capacity of 34,000,000,000 gallons.

The dam and spillway have been so constructed that at small cost they can be speedily raised in height if necessary so as to almost double the storage capacity and irrigated area.

"CURSED BY KISSING AN IDOL"

Mary Purcell, aged 51, formerly a music teacher of The Mall, Ealing, who was stated to have suffered from the delusion that she had kissed an idol and was therefore cursed, and who was found drowned in a pond known as The Hills, at Long Crendon, Buckinghamshire, was the subject of an inquest which was held in camera at Aylesbury.

The Coroner (Mr. S. E. Wilkins) made a statement to the Press. He said the woman had been missing from her home at Thame since October 24.

Dr. H. Byles, medical officer at Springfield Mental Hospital, Tooting, who gave evidence, had stated that Miss Purcell had been a voluntary patient there and when she left she was normal.

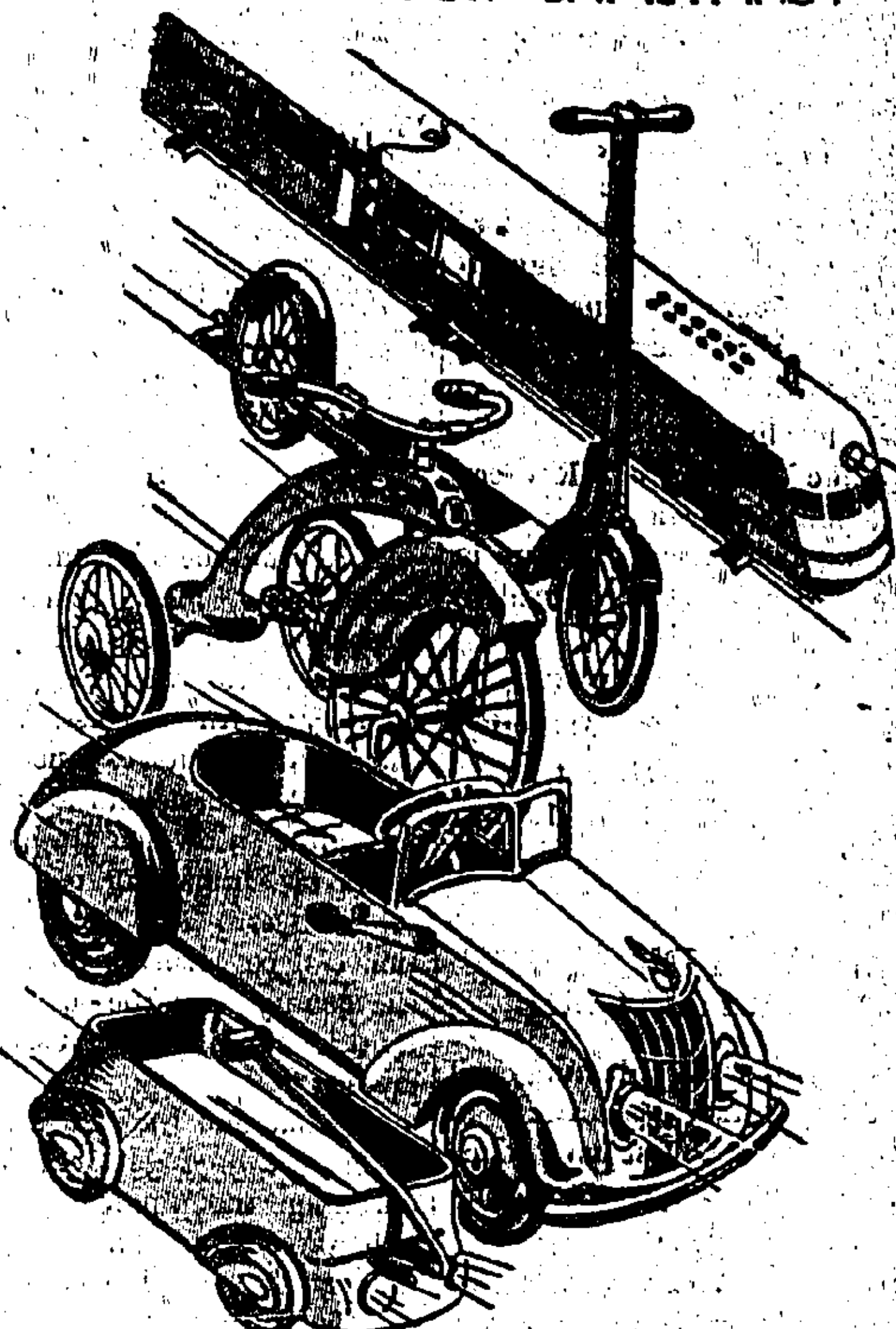
LONGEST ROPE IN THE WORLD

Most people who have been to Glasgow know the Glasgow Corporation Subway Railway, now electrified, but few probably realize that it was worked by the longest wire rope in the world. In 1894, when the railway was opened, electric power was very expensive, and wire rope haulage was unquestionably the most economical means then available.

The railway, which is 6½ miles long, is built entirely underground in two tunnels, and motion to the trains from the cable running between the rails was obtained by means of a device resembling a vice, known as a "gripper." In order to keep the seven-mile-long endless rope at the correct tension a special appliance was installed, and by this means as much as 300 ft. of "stretch" could be taken up before it became necessary to shorten the cable by cutting out and remaking the splice.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE

KOWLOON WATER SUPPLY.

It is hereby notified that the water supply in the area immediately north of Prince Edward Road and east of Nathan Road will be disconnected for six hours from noon to 6 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd instant.

The locality affected will include the whole of Kowloon, and Kowloon City.

During this period, pressure in the Ho Mun Tin District will be reduced.

R. M. HENDERSON,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department,
Hong Kong, 22nd Dec., 1936.
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THE FANLING HUNT AND RACE CLUB

The Christmas Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Kwai Tung Race Course on Saturday, 26th December, 1936, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Additional coaches will be attached to the 12.12 p.m. and 2.25 p.m. trains to Fanling, and the 6.39 p.m. train to Kowloon. Tickets at \$2.— include admission to the Public Enclosure, and may be purchased at the Kowloon Railway Station.

THOMSON & CO.,
Secretaries & Treasurers.
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION ACTION NO. 184 OF 1936.

The Cellular Clothing Company, Limited

vs.

The Hariram Silk Store

UNDERTAKING.

Pursuant to directions given by the Court in the above action 1, Kauramal Hariram, the proprietor of the above named Defendant firm hereby undertakes not to use the word "AERTEX" as descriptive of or in connection with any clothing manufactured by my firm or any clothing, not being of the Plaintiff's manufacture, sold or offered for sale by my firm.

Dated this 16th day of December, 1936.

WITNESS to the signature of the said Kauramal Hariram:—

Sd. E.S.C. BROOKS,
HASTINGS & CO.,
Plaintiffs' Solicitors.

Sd. HARIRAM SILK STORE,
K. HARIRAM, Proprietor.

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AMERICAN ARMY INCREASE

Washington, Dec. 21.
An increase of 20,000 officers and men for the regular army of the United States bringing the full legal establishment to 180,000 by June 30 next year is recommended by the War Secretary, Mr. Woodring, who declares that in the light of the present world conditions the United States cannot afford to neglect measures for its own national safety.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

TURKISH DISPUTE IN SYRIA

Damascus, Dec. 20.
Reports are current here of Syrian counter-proposals in the questions of Sandjak and Alexandrette. One proposal is the exchange of population whereby 150,000 Syrians domiciled in Turkey would be exchanged for 80,000 Turks to be repatriated from the Sandjak region.—*Transoceanic News Service.*

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To Foster British Films

Lord Moyne's Films Committee has nicely balanced a reasonable measure of present protection for the British film industry with suggestions that should further its expansion.

The Commissioners look ahead to a time at which the British quota of films will be 50 per cent. Before any such proportion can be insisted upon, both the quality and the quantity of British production must be increased.

To that end the Government, it has been suggested, should encourage the financing of British producers. These wage an unequal battle against the American studios.

In America the public spends £140,000,000 to see the films; in this country less than £40,000,000, and much of this smaller sum, under present conditions, represents an addition to the home takings of the American companies. Unless its market can be swelled in some way the British industry fights a battle in which every advantage is on the side of its antagonist.

Perhaps the most valuable of the recommendations of the Committee is that a quality test should be applied to the films of which exhibitors must include a quota in their programmes.

Quotas have been made a mockery by exhibiting cheaply produced films that have bored, when they have not enraged, the audiences upon which they were inflicted. This test, to be applied by the Films Commission, the creation of which is the principal recommendation in the Report, should dispose of "quota quickies" and remove a slur from British productions.

Experience of the working of the 1927 Act supports the view that control should be exercised through some such body as a permanent Commission. A long view takes account of a gradual increase in the proportion of British films to be shown and of an immediate improvement in their quality. British studios at their best have produced pictures the equal of any shown on the screen, but there are too few of these.

If the number is to be increased a big investment of new capital will be required. Finance will not be forthcoming unless the market is assured and the standard of what may be shown is kept high.

DEATH OF NOTED ARCHAEOLOGIST

Berlin, Dec. 20.
Dr. Theodor Wiegandt, the President of the Archaeological Institute in Germany and noted Hellenist, died at Dahlem on Saturday. He was in his 72nd year, and was the leader of numerous excavation expeditions in the Near East, especially in Samos, Syria and Damascus, and took a leading part in the discovery and interpretation of the famous finds at Pergamon.

In the later years he devoted himself to the study of ancient monuments in Russia, having been invited to that country by the Soviet government. He held the honorary membership of the archaeological societies at London, Vienna and Leningrad.—*Transoceanic News Service.*

JAM-MAKING BY THE STATE

With "Fresh" Fruit Two Years Old

Jam made from fruit which had been kept for two years in cold store is shown at the Public Health Exhibition, opened at the Agricultural Hall, Islington, recently, by Sir Kingsley Wood, the Minister of Health.

It is exhibited by the Low Temperature Research Station at Cambridge, under the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research—strawberry jam, raspberry jam, blackcurrant jam, and red-currant jelly.

In no case, a representative of the "Morning Post" was informed, has the addition of any colouring matter been necessary. The practical object is to "smooth out" commercial production over the greater part of the year.

Grapes also were shown which had been kept free from mould by the addition of a protective vapour to the storage atmosphere, and peas which had kept their natural green colour after several months at a temperature of 4 degrees below zero. The secret, in the latter case, is an hour's scalding before freezing.

Exhibits in the commercial section of the exhibition ranged from a mobile dental clinic, intended for use by local authorities in country districts, to equipment for use in the training of mentally deficient children. During the course of the exhibition almost every aspect of public health will be discussed in congress.

WAR ON RHEUMATISM
In his opening address, Sir Kingsley expressed the hope that both rheumatism and cancer would in due course be conquered. Rheumatism cost the nation many millions of pounds a year, being responsible for 16 per cent. of the total disease and disablement among male insured workers.

"I am glad to say," Sir Kingsley added, "that in many cities and towns it has been tackled with energy, and a fair prospect of success."

Even in the case of cancer, it should be realised that prospects of successful treatment were better than many people supposed, provided that an early diagnosis could be made.

In health matters generally, Sir Kingsley condensed the history of three reigns into as many sentences. In Queen Victoria's time, he suggested, the cure of disease seemed to be the most important matter. In King George's reign, prevention took its place beside cure.

"Now we are at the beginning of a new reign, and, as I hope, just on the threshold of a new and ever greater conception still—that we must be health builders."

NATIVE RUBBER IN JAVA

Individual Restriction To Be Introduced

Buitenzorg, Dec. 21.
An ordinance has been issued in Java giving effect to the introduction of individual restriction from January 1, 1937, for native rubber in those regions where special duty is still levied.—*Reuter.*

FAMOUS CRICKETER "PAID OFF"

London, Dec. 21.
Following the recent sensational "dismissal" of A. P. Freeman, the Kent spin bowler, comes the startling announcement to-day that Philip C. Mead, one of the greatest left-hand batsmen the game of cricket has ever known, has been "paid off" by the Hampshire County Cricket Club.

Mead has been informed that he will not be retained next season, but in recognition of his services to the club, he will be paid his wages until September next.—*Reuter.*

NOTED SURGEON PASSES

London, Dec. 20.
Sir John Bland-Sutton, noted surgeon, medical writer, and lecturer, holding an honorary LL.D. from Aberdeen, St. Andrews, Birmingham, Glasgow and Leeds, a D.Sc. from Toronto, and numerous other scholastic distinctions, died here to-day. He was 81 years of age.—*Reuter.*

LADY HAIG'S NEW LIGHT ON WAR DISCORDS

Fierce Criticism Of Mr. Lloyd George

"INSULT" OF PEACE DRIVE PROPOSAL

As was inevitable, Countess Haig is disparaging of Mr. Lloyd George in the biography of her husband which, after much delay is published (The Man I Knew: Moray Press, 18s).

She criticises him for mistrust of the British Commander-in-Chief at moments of grave import for the campaign in the West; she tells something of Earl Haig's distress at finding Mr. Lloyd George taking opinions from other generals on his conduct of operations, and she arraigns Mr. Lloyd George for an "insult" to her husband after the Armistice, when the then Prime Minister tried in vain to induce him to take part in a ceremonial drive through London.

According to Lady Haig, her husband felt that Mr. Lloyd George was always trying to belittle the British Army. The reader catches an early hint of a lack of sympathy between the two men when the contrast is noted between the visits of Mr. Asquith to G.H.Q. in 1916 and those of Mr. Lloyd George, which "gave Douglas the impression of being joy-rides."

"Mr. Lloyd George also arrived accompanied by a crowd like a lot of Cock's tourists," Douglas mentioned, "that he found him mighty and always liable to change his plans."

THE QUESTIONING OF FOCH

Mr. Lloyd George "gave him (Haig) the impression that he considered the methods adopted by the French much superior to those of the British. He seemed entirely under the influence of M. Albert Thomas.... In fact, it almost looked as if Mr. Lloyd George was prepared to promise him anything."

A little bitterness might be forgiven since "Douglas learned that Lloyd George (during one visit) had met Foch and had questioned him closely regarding the efficiency of Douglas's command."

Foch was surprised that a British Cabinet Minister should stoop so low as to make disparaging remarks about his own army.... Such disloyalty proved Douglas to be right in his distrust of Mr. Lloyd George's dealings with the French.

In one of his letters Douglas thanked me for wishing to wring Lloyd George's neck for what he had done."

The story of Mr. Lloyd George's preparations for the ceremonial drive belongs, of course, to the days of Armistice rejoicing, when Haig "was so disappointed to see that the politicians were entirely given up to electioneering so soon." He considered they should have been on their knees, thanking God for having preserved the old country and our liberties in spite of their blunders."

IN THE FIFTH CARRIAGE

With precipitate enthusiasm on Nov. 30 Mr. Lloyd George invited Haig to take part in a ceremonial drive through London, with Foch, Clemenceau and a number of other statesmen. "When Douglas learned that he was to ride with General Sir Henry Wilson in the fifth carriage he was astounded and considered that this was a greater insult than he could stand even from the Prime Minister."

"Douglas had effaced himself for the past three years because he considered that to win the war it was essential that the French and British armies should get on well together. He had remained silent when Lloyd George talked of what he (L.G.) had accomplished by his foresight in appointing Foch as commander-in-chief of the Allied Forces, although it was Douglas's suggestion, made at the conference in March, 1918, that Foch should be put in supreme command."

"But now that the war had been won by the armies in France, he utterly refused to take part in a purely political stunt by riding in a triumphal procession through the streets of London merely to add to Lloyd George's importance. He therefore sent word that he could not go to London on Dec. 1 unless he was ordered to do so by the Army Council."

It was later discovered that the "triumphal procession" was to go to the French Embassy for a reception to which Haig was not invited.

HONG KONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Week-end Spoon & Practice Shoot

"Wapenschaw" Shoot On Boxing Day

The seventh week-end shoot of the Hong Kong Rifle Association which has been held since the opening of the present season took place, by the courtesy of the Naval Authorities, on Saturday afternoon last, on the Naval range at Stonecutters.

Weather conditions were by no means good, and the wind again proved troublesome to many of the competitors. In spite of this, some excellent shooting was seen, and there is no doubt that other good scores would have been made had it not been found necessary for affiliated members of the Regular Army to be debarred, once again, from shooting owing to the restricted number of targets available for use.

As will be seen from the detailed results given below there were no less than six scores of 98 or over, and sixteen scores of 95 or above, by far the largest number of 90's or more, which have been obtained this season in a Spoon Shoot.

The winner of the "nett" spoon in the S.R.(b) Class was A.B. Bowerman of H.M.S. "Medway" who takes his fourth spoon of the season, in which connection it is noteworthy that each of the spoons has been won with a nett score, a meritorious performance, which speaks for itself. The winner of the handicap spoon was Rtn. J. J. Stewart of the 1st Bn. Royal Ulster Rifles, while in the S.R.(a) Class the winner of the handicap spoon was Lieut. Jenks, R.N.

From now until the end of the year, all shooting will be carried out at 300, 500 and 600 yards, in order that the team which will represent the Colony in the Inter-Colonial Match on the last day of the year, may have as much practice as possible. For this reason the second annual "Wapenschaw" shoot which is to be held, by the courtesy of the Naval Authorities, on the range at Stonecutters on Boxing Day, will take place at these three distances.

After the "Wapenschaw" shoot is completed, transport arrangements have been made to take all those who wish to attend from Stonecutters to the Association's new Clubhouse on the Army ranges at Kowloon City where the usual Christmas dinner will take place about 1.30 p.m. Full particulars of this shoot and dinner are being circulated this day to all concerned, but we are asked to point out that it is essential that the names of those who propose to take part should reach the Honorary Secretary not later than noon to-morrow (Wednesday), in order that the requisite target, transport and dinner accommodation may be arranged. Those members who

"This was Lloyd George's view of what was fitting for the welcome of a general on his return from commanding a victorious army in the field."

NIVELLE AND HAIG
The discord between Prime Minister and Commander-in-Chief dated from 1916. It sprang largely from Mr. Lloyd George's hankering after operations elsewhere than on the Western Front. When he became Prime Minister in December Sir William Robertson observed that it looked as if he "meant to make himself director-general of the actions of all the Allies."

About that time General Nivelle was in the ascendant; he began giving Haig instructions and planning to communicate direct with the C.I.G.S. in London. That brought Haig to London (Mar. 11, 1917), where he was seen by the King, and by Lord Derby, who begged him not to resign his command. Haig was then, as later, fully prepared to go, only that "he hoped there would be any argument about it. The last thing he wanted was to be the central figure of a political upheaval."

At home Haig's plans were obstructed on the very eve of the Passchendaele attack; if it did not succeed "he was to arrange for sending troops to Italy." The grim truth as Haig knew it (for knew the state of the French army's morale in 1917) was that "if we slackened our attack in any way the French would become divided."

MEN HAVE BETTER VOICES

ONE GIRL IN 200 CHOSEN TO MAKE "BLIND BOOKS"

Well-spoken men are easy to find, but to find a golden-voiced woman a wide search had to be made.

And out of 200 actresses, elocutionists, and typists only one was found suitable.

She is Miss Faith Loring, a twenty-three-year-old actress in a repertory company with a mellow contralto voice.

St. Dunstan's chose her to make talking books for the blind. Recently the wife of a blind ex-officer offered her services. She made a test record, speaking as she read to her husband at home. Her voice, also mellow contralto, reproduced perfectly.

St. Dunstan's has three men readers, two of them university men. The star reader is Mr. A. E. McDonald, a film commentator, who made the first talking book.

He has an arduous job. He has to read into the microphone for non-stop periods of twenty-five minutes several times a day.

He must not cough, hesitate, or breathe deeply. That would ruin the record. He must turn the pages with care, otherwise the rustle would jar upon listeners.

Mr. McDonald speaks 4,300 words during every twenty-five-minute session. Ten double-sided records make a book.

The books are played on specially adapted machines at a speed of twenty-four revolutions to the minute compared with the seventy-eight revolutions of an ordinary record. Each side plays twenty-five minutes.

The secret of the talking book discs is that every inch has 200 grooves compared with the ninety of an ordinary record.

The books are recorded in a tiny, sound-proof studio at St. Dunstan's. A second studio is shortly to be built.

Wax master discs are sent away for the records to be made. These are afterwards distributed to blind people all over the country and in the Colonies from the headquarters of the National Institute for the Blind in Great Portland Street, W.

Mr. H. Andrews, who has been thirty years with the Institute, said to a "Sunday Express" representative: "Continual experiments are being made to see whether there is any better method of making talking books."

"Film sound track has been suggested, but it is too costly."

At St. Dunstan's Sir Ian Fraser, M.P., said it costs £100 to make a talking book with thirty copies.

Rev. Arthur Lloyd, a blind clergyman from South Wales, recently recorded a book reading from a novel in Braille. His deft fingers swept over the pages with uncanny speed.

HOTEL GUESTS

New residents at local hotels yesterday were as follows:—
At the Peninsula:—Mr. and Mrs. Jose Lopez-Nito, Manila; Mrs. R. G. V. da Silva, Manila; Miss Beatriz Savis, Manila; Miss Teresa Savis, Manila; Miss Cecilia Savis, Manila; Mr. Afroio Savis, Manila; Mr. G. Howard-Knight, Poochow.

At the Hong Kong:—Mrs. L. T. Higgins, Los Angeles; Mrs. A. G. Went, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. T. Pardue, Los Angeles; Mr. Charles Watt, Amoy; Mr. P. Simon, Lunghow; Dr. Canonet, Tonkin; Mrs. Griggs, Washington; Mr. and Mrs. F. la O. Manila; Mr. and Mrs. A. Carroll, Manila; Mr. Maurice S. Alegre, Manila; Mr. Rafael C. Roen, Manila; Mr. A. F. Mackenzie, Shanghai.

At the Gloucester:—Cdr. and Mrs. Bradford, London; Mr. J. M. X. Chollet, Canton; Mr. O. E. Barant, Canton.

DR. WU LIEN TEH RETURNS

Dr. Wu Lien-teh, Director of the Chinese National Quarantine Service, who has been visiting South China and Hainan Island in connection with the inspection of the existing quarantine stations, and the establishing of new stations in Hainan Island, returned to Hong Kong from Hainan Island on Saturday last. Having completed his mission, Dr. Wu Lien-teh left for Shanghai on Sunday last by the s.s. Kut Sang, and will visit the ports of Swatow and Amoy on the way.—*Chinese Evening Press.*

SIANFU REVOLT OPTIMISM PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT EXPECTED

Mr. Soong Returns From Important Mission

Nanking, December 21.
Mr. T. V. Soong arrived here at 3.30 p.m. from Sianfu where Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is still detained since his capture by the rebel troops under Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang on December 12. The outcome of Mr. Soong's trip is not known at the moment.

On arrival here Mr. Soong immediately visited Madame Chiang Kai-shek in order to report the results of his visit, during which he had a private conversation with the Generalissimo and also conferred with Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang.

Well-informed quarters state that considerable progress towards a peaceful settlement of the revolt was made as a result of Mr. Soong's trip and an atmosphere of optimism prevails.—*Reuter.*

GOVERNMENT ACTION

Shanghai, Dec. 20.
Following the resumption of hostilities against Chang Hsueh-liang's rebel forces in Sianfu, the Chinese Government troops claim to have captured Hwahsten, 50 miles east of Sianfu. But there has been no serious fighting, as far as can be ascertained.

Meanwhile, in a supreme effort to effect a compromise with the rebels and the release of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, still held by them at Sianfu, Mr. T. V. Soong, brother-in-law of the Generalissimo, Central Bank president and one-time Finance Minister of China, has flown to the headquarters of Chang, the Young Marshal.

Mr. W. H. Donald, the British adviser to Marshal Chiang, has remained with the prisoner at Sianfu. His efforts to gain the Marshal's freedom were ineffectual and he returned to Sianfu merely to keep the Generalissimo company.—*Reuter.*

SITUATION UNCHANGED

Shanghai, Dec. 21.
The situation at Sianfu remains unchanged. Mr. T. V. Soong, the former Finance Minister and most prominent figure in China's financial world to-day, is remaining at Sianfu with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, whose release he hoped to secure by treating with the rebels under Chang Hsueh-liang.

The Nanking Government's punitive expedition is steadily closing in around the rebels, and one section of the Central Government army has occupied Hwahsten, 50 miles east of Sianfu.

It is understood that the acceleration of military operations has been postponed a further 48 hours in the hope that Chiang Kai-shek may be released in the meantime.—*Reuter.*

FRANCO-SOVIET PACT

Socialists Agitate For Annulment

Paris, Dec. 20.
The demand that the Franco-Soviet pact be denounced was unanimously approved at a huge meeting of the French Social (Fascist) Party here to-day.

The meeting also passed a resolution that France should maintain the strictest neutrality in Spain and should turn her efforts to the reconstruction of the Straits front and a Franco-Italian rapprochement.—*Reuter.*

SAN SALVADOR EARTHQUAKE

Considerable Damage Reported

Paris, Dec. 20.
A message from Mexico states that at least 220 are killed and many hundreds have been injured in an earthquake which rocked San Salvador, in the small Central American republic of the same name.

The quake followed a volcanic eruption, it is reported here. There has been a considerable amount of damage in and near the town of San Vicente, around which five villages have been wiped out.—*Reuter.*

EARLY RELEASE EXPECTED

Soong Confers With Marshal Chang

Shanghai, Dec. 21.
Mr. T. V. Soong, President of the Bank of China, former Finance Minister, and brother-in-law of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek reached Sianfu this morning, and after conferring with Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, he and Marshal Chang proceeded together to see Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

Mr. Soong is confident of a satisfactory settlement, and all parties interested in the early release and return of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to Nanking are anxiously watching the trend of the negotiations.

It is expected that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek will be released on or about the 22nd instant.—*Chinese Evening Press.*

SUN FO'S OPINION

Nanking, Dec. 21.
Dr. Sun Fo, Chairman of the Nanking Judicial Yuan, and son of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, left for Shanghai yesterday.

He expressed the opinion that there is no question of the safety of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, and that he will be liberated in three or four days' time.

Dr. Sun Fo also stated that the surrender of the rebel army will also be arranged without any difficulty.—*Chinese Evening Press.*

DELIVERY OF ARMS TO SPAIN

Girl Stenographer Involved In Permit Irregularity

Paris, Dec. 20.
Rumours alleging a scandalous affair which occurred recently in the French Foreign Ministry and that arrests have been made in connection with the delivery of war material to Spain, are given prominence by the "Action Française." The paper asserts that a girl stenographer, Suzanne Linder, was taken into custody when she handed over permits for the exportation of arms to the Czechoslovak national, Rosenfeld, who is a native of Soviet-Russia and acting on behalf of the Red Spanish government.

The latter has likewise been arrested. The authorities' suspicions had been aroused by the expensive mode of living of the arrested stenographer and consequently a trap was set for her by playing the export permits into her hands.—*Transocean News Service.*

BLACKMAIL CHARGE IN GIBRALTAR

Spaniard Arrested

Gibraltar, Dec. 20.
A sensation has been caused by the arrest in a crowded hotel here of a well-dressed Spaniard who had been interviewing the Englishman known as the "Scarlet Pimpernel," a man credited with having rescued scores of persons from the modern "terror" in Spain, Mr. Grice-Hutchinson.

"The Spaniard threatened to murder me," said Mr. Grice-Hutchinson, questioned by *Reuter.* "It is understood the man has been charged with trying to blackmail Mr. Grice-Hutchinson, and a detective listened to the conversation between the two men from an adjacent room.—*Reuter.*

REBELS RESUME BOMBARDMENT

Madrid Again Faces Severe Assault

Salamanca, Dec. 20.
The rainy cold weather which during the last few weeks seriously hampered the offensive of the national forces on the Madrid front has at last ended so that the nationalist artillery was enabled to resume the intensive bombardment of the Red positions.

The bright clear sky and the resulting excellent visibility not only greatly facilitated the task of the nationalist artillery but the present fine weather is also contributing to raise the morale of the troops who had been beginning to show signs of impatience in view of the temporary lull in fighting necessitated by the weather conditions.

Particularly, the Red positions at the Northern Railway Station, Montana barracks and Segovia barracks, were intensively shelled by the nationalist batteries. Gigantic columns of smoke rising from the completely burnt Northern Railway Station could be seen within a several miles' radius.

The Red artillery, on the other hand, was compelled to remain mainly on the defensive. That the morale of the Red troops was now extremely low is indicated by the fact that they did not make any attempt to recapture their recently lost positions at Bosdilla.

The Nationalists, according to latest messages here, made further progress in advance into the interior of the city. Other reports state that the southern army of the Nationalists captured the town of Valencia, in the province of Cordoba, inflicting very heavy losses on the Reds who retreated in a headlong flight after only brief resistance and abandoned a great quantity of war material.

Two planes of a squadron of the Red air force which had come to the assistance of the Red troops on the ground, crashed and were completely demolished when trying to evade the Nationalist anti-aircraft forces.—*Transocean News Service.*

MADRID FOG LIFTS

Madrid, Dec. 21.
The fog around Madrid which has been hanging for the past few days has lifted, but no major engagements are reported, though both sides in the civil war claim minor successes in the way of capture of a number of villages.

The insurgents continued their naval bombardment of the Catalan coast.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

CONFLICTING REPORTS

London, Dec. 20.
Conflicting reports of fighting to the west of Madrid have been received here from the opposing sides.

The Madrid Defence Council, in a communique, claims to have repulsed fierce insurgent attacks, preceded by intense artillery bombardment, and also maintains that an important advance on the Burgos front has been achieved. The Government forces, the communique states, have cut the roads connecting the northern insurgent army with its supply base.

An insurgent communique, on the other hand, claims that a big attack has been made on the Madrid front, near Villa Nueva, and surrounding villages, all of which were occupied after a protracted and hard engagement.—*Reuter.*

REBEL OFFENSIVE

Paris, Dec. 20.
According to reports from Madrid, the insurgent army under General Francisco Franco has been heavily reinforced on the Madrid front and a big rebel offensive is expected before the New Year. But it is stated that the defenders of Madrid are ready for all eventualities.—*Reuter.*

BARCELONA FOOD SHORTAGE

Salamanca, Dec. 20.
The Provisioning Board at Barcelona has been ordered by the Catalan government to cut down the rations of meat to the population in view of the increasing shortage of foodstuffs. The Red government, moreover, decided to enlarge the existing concentration camps and to prepare new ones since the available prisons are no longer sufficient to receive the growing number of persons sentenced to confinement by the people's courts.—*Transocean News Service.*

BRITISH SCHOOL CHILDREN

New Classification System

London, Dec. 21.
The annual report of the Chief Medical Officer of the Board of Education contains many references of importance to the health and physical well-being and records methods whereby health and fitness of children at school is cared for an improved.

During the year the new system of classification of nutrition of school children in four classes was generally applied and the result of the routine examination of 1,687,331 children was that 14.6 per cent. were graded excellent, 74.1 per cent. normal, 10.6 per cent. slightly sub-normal and 0.7 per cent. bad.

Comparison with past years is not possible as 1935 is the first year of the new system of classification, but where statistics of height and weight are given in the reports of school medical officers there is almost invariably an increase compared with previous years.

For children who show symptoms, however slight, of undernourishment, and whose parents cannot afford to pay, free meals and milk may be provided at school. In 1935-36 the total number of meals including milk meals provided free, was 87,000,000 compared with 68,000,000 in 1934-35. The increase was entirely due to milk meals provided free. The number of these meals rose from 42,200,000 in 1934-35 to 63,700,000 in 1935-36.—*British Wireless.*

MRS. SIMPSON LEAVES

Destination Mentioned As Egypt

Athens, Dec. 20.
Mrs. Simpson left Patro to-day, embarking on the "Athina." She is travelling incognito with Egypt as destination.—*Transocean News Service.*

CANNES REPORT

Cannes, Dec. 20.
Mr. Herman L. Rogers, Mrs. Ernest Simpson's host here, told American newspapermen to-day that Mrs. Simpson would not see the Duke of Windsor before the Spring.

She is remaining at Cannes with Mr. and Mrs. Rogers for several months, he added, and would spend Christmas quietly with friends at the Villa L'Ouvrier.—*Reuter.*

DUKE OF WINDSOR

London, Dec. 20.
The Duke of Windsor will probably visit England next summer after the coronation of King George VI, and resume his residence at Fort Belvedere.—*Transocean News Service.*

PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

American Plan Not Fulfilled

Buenos Aires, Dec. 20.
Great progress has been made at the Pan-American Peace Conference towards obtaining the desired unity and co-operation between the republics of the north and south continents, but the aim of the United States, to get all these nations pledged to absolute neutrality in the event of a conflagration outside their borders, has not been fulfilled.

The decisions of the last 24 hours reveal that while the majority of the republics favour the ratification of exclusively American conventions, the Argentine, on the contrary, while loyally adhering to the Pan-American idea with regard to the present conference as a basis of universal peace, does not feel bound to confine her treaties and accords to the western hemisphere.

Although the plan for an American League of Nations has been referred to a Washington Committee for study, it is generally disapproved by the delegates here. The labours of the committee are now finished. A plenary sitting will be held to-morrow and the closing ceremony will take place on Wednesday.—*Reuter.*

BLUM'S APPEAL FRUITLESS

Labour Deadlock In France

Paris, Dec. 20.
Premier Blum's appeal to the employers and workers in the Lille region of the metallurgical industries, that they should settle their conflict in view of the danger which the strike constitutes for the French national defence remained fruitless so far although the employers as well as the workers declared themselves willing to respond to the appeal.

The reason for the deadlock is the employers' demand that the workers should be evacuated by the workers and the pickets withdrawn, and that the instigators of the strike should be barred from reinstatement.

Senator Mathieu, whose statement before the senate induced the Premier to issue the appeal for the settlement of the dispute, again conferred with the employers and workers in order to reach a compromise, but was forced to return to Paris from Lille without having accomplished the object of his journey.—*Transocean News Service.*

COST OF LIVING RISES

Problem In Paris

Paris, Dec. 20.
Despite the most stringent measures adopted by the price control commission, Parisian housewives are being confronted with a steady rise in the cost of living. Thus it is announced that from Monday the price of milk will be increased from 1.50 francs per litre to 1.80 francs.

The unauthorised action of many restaurants in raising the prices of wine has caused much discontent so that the authorities have been obliged to issue a warning and to threaten to penalize those restaurants failing to respond to the national appeal.

On the other hand the restaurateurs maintain that their profits are so meagre that they must raise the price of beverages in order to make ends meet.—*Transocean News Service.*

LORD PEEL IN PALESTINE

Narrow Escape From Capture

Jerusalem, Dec. 20.
Lord Peel, the leader of the British commission of investigation in Palestine, narrowly escaped capture when bandits ambushed and plundered a convey of 5 cars ten miles outside Jericho.—*Transocean News Service.*

ARAB DELEGATION

Jerusalem, Dec. 20.
A delegation of Arab leaders, including members of the Arab League, are proceeding to Baghdad in order to discuss with King Ghazi and the Iraq Government the questions relating to the demands and wishes of the Arabs in Palestine. Subsequently the delegation will visit King Ibn Saud.

At present the entire Arabian press in Palestine is placed under a ban.

On the road from Jericho to Jerusalem five motor lorries were held up on Saturday by barricades and stones and the contents were plundered.—*Transocean News Service.*

RED REVOLUTION MOBILISATION

Marseilles Communist Preparations

Paris, Dec. 20.
That Marseilles communists have prepared regular mobilisation plans for the event of a Red revolution is the sensational assertion made by a report to the paper, *Le Jour*, which declares that the plans provide for the mobilisation and arming of 100,000 Red workers.

The message which points out that this figure is probably not exaggerated since no fewer than 180,000 foreigners are living in Marseilles, adds that Marseilles communists have already accumulated large stores of machine guns, hand grenades and ammunition and that specially formed "shock brigades" are undergoing a regular training under war-like conditions every Sunday in the environs of Marseilles.—*Transocean News Service.*

AUSTRALIA BEATEN BY WET WICKET

Dismissed For 80 Runs: 145 For 1 In Second Innings

BRADMAN SETS NEW RECORD

England reaped the benefit of their huge score of 426 for 6 and the overnight rain when they declared their innings closed at this total and dismissed Australia for a palty 80 runs on a sodden wicket.

Forced to follow on, Australia lost their first wicket for 38 runs, but Fingleton and Bradman batted steadily and brought the total to 145 at close of play, leaving them 201 runs behind England's first innings score. Fingleton was 67 not out and Bradman 57 not out, the latter at the same time establishing a new record aggregate by an Australian batsman in the Tests against England.

Sydney, Dec. 21.
The Second Test match was continued to-day in a sultry atmosphere before a crowd of ten thousand people.

A thunderstorm overnight and further steady rain this morning made the wicket wet and likely to be of assistance to spin bowlers. England's captain decided to close the innings at 426 for 6 and to make Australia bat under trying conditions.

Badcock was reported still to be suffering from a temperature and that he would not bat.

Australia's innings opened as sensationally as the wicket had promised. O'Brien was caught by Sims in the gully off Voce with the seventh ball of the bowler's first over without scoring a run. It was an in-swing and caught O'Brien unawares. The first wicket fell at one. Fingleton having scored it.

Bradman came in and off Voce's next ball put up a sitter to Allen at short leg. (2 for 1) McCabe following, and in Voce's second over gave Sims a catch in the gully before he had scored. (3 for 1).

Chipperfield then entered and put the score to 16 before Sims made his third catch, this time off Allen's bowling. (4 for 10).

FINGLETON CAUGHT
The Australians had reached fifty after being at the wickets for 82 minutes. Fingleton was caught at point by Verity off Voce's bowling when he had scored 12. He played a resolute innings, being at the wickets for 55 minutes. The score was now 28 for 5. Voce, at this stage, had taken four wickets for eight runs.

The next wicket to fall was that of Slivers, who was caught by Voce at cover off Verity, having scored four runs. (30 for 6). Oldfield was bowled by Verity with an off spinner, having only made one run. (31 for 7).

At the interval, O'Reilly was 30 not out. He gave a chance before he had scored, and then made a six and a four off Verity in successive balls. McCormick was the other not-out batsman, having scored six. The score at the adjournment was 67 for 7. Slight rain fell five minutes before lunch.

ALL DISMISSED
The crowd had increased to twenty thousand after lunch. The wicket seemed to have improved, but it was still soft.

The eighth wicket fell for 80 runs when Allen knocked McCormick's off-stump, the batsman having scored 10. Allen followed up his success by dismissing Ward with the next ball, an in-swing. Ward did not score any runs.

O'Reilly was not out with 37 which included three hits over the field and two boundaries. He played a most aggressive innings for forty four minutes.

AUSTRALIA FOLLOWS ON
With 346 runs behind in the first innings, Australia followed on when the match was resumed at 2.45 p.m. Fingleton and O'Brien batted very cautiously, but with the total at 38 O'Brien hit one of Hammond's deliveries to give a sitter to Allen at short-leg. O'Brien scored 17. (1 for 38).

Don Bradman joined Fingleton and 50 was hoisted on the board after fifty four minutes. At tea time the score was carried to 62 for 1. Fingleton 30 and Bradman 12.

WICKET IMPROVES
The sultriness and occasional sunshine dried the wicket quickly and bright cricket was seen after tea when Fingleton and Bradman, using extreme caution, carried the total to a hundred which had taken 125 minutes to compile. Fingleton gave a polished performance in which his driving to the on-boundary was a feature. He scored his 50 in 137 minutes.

SCORE BOARD

England—1st Innings

Barnett, b Ward	57
Fagg, c Slivers, b McCormick	11
Hammond, not out	231
Leyland, l.b.w., b McCabe	42
Ames, c Robinson, b Ward	29
G. O. Allen, l.b.w., b O'Reilly	9
Hardstaff, b McCormick	28
Verity, not out	0
Extras	21

Total (for 6 wks.) 426

Fall of the wickets: 1 (Fagg) for 27; 2 (Barnett) for 118; 3 (Leyland) for 247; 4 (Ames) for 351; 5 (Allen) for 388; 6 (Hardstaff) for 424.

Bowling Analysis

	O	M	R	W
McCormick	20	1	79	2
Slivers	16.2	4	30	0
Ward	42	8	132	2
O'Reilly	41	17	86	1
Chipperfield	13	2	47	0
McCabe	9	1	31	1

Australia—1st Innings

J. J. H. Fingleton, c Verity, b Voce	12
L. P. O'Brien, c Sims, b Voce	0
D. G. Bradman, c Allen, b Voce	0
S. J. McCabe, c Sims, b Voce	0
A. G. Chipperfield, c Sims, b Allen	13
M. W. Slivers, c Voce, b Verity	4
W. A. Oldfield, b Verity	1
W. J. O'Reilly, not out	37
E. L. McCormick, b Allen	10
F. Ward, b Allen	0
C. Badcock, absent ill	0
Extras	3

Total 80

Fall of the wickets:—1 (O'Brien) for 1; 2 (Bradman) for 1; 3 (McCabe) for 3; 4 (Chipperfield) for 16; 5 (Fingleton) for 28; 6 (Slivers) for 30; 7 (Oldfield) for 31; 8 (McCormick) for 80; 9 (Ward) for 80.

Bowling Analysis

	O	M	R	W
Voce	8	1	10	4
Allen	5.7	1	19	3
Verity	3	0	17	2
Hammond	4	0	6	0
Sims	2	0	20	0
Robins	1	0	5	0

Australia—2nd Innings

J. H. Fingleton, not out	67
W. J. O'Brien, c Allen, b Hammond	17
D. G. Bradman, not out	57
Extras	4

Total (for 1 wkt.) 145

and was going strong at the close with 67 to his credit. So far he has been batting for 163 minutes and hit four boundaries.

BRADMAN'S NEW RECORD
Bradman, who is 57 not out, played a stubborn and most careful game. He reached his 50 in 111 minutes.

When he has scored 27 he established a new record aggregate by an Australian batsman in the Tests against England by beating Clem Hills' 2,660 runs.

So far he has been at the wickets for 116 minutes and hit five boundaries.

Red light set in at 5.45 p.m. and held up the play for ten minutes.

The closing score was 145 for 1.—*Reuter.*

RAILWAY DISASTER IN SOUTH AFRICA

Capetown, Dec. 21.
A railway disaster is reported on the line between Port Elizabeth and Capetown. A train was derailed thirty-five miles from Oudshoorn. It is understood that eight persons were killed and thirty-five seriously injured are now in hospital at Oudshoorn.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

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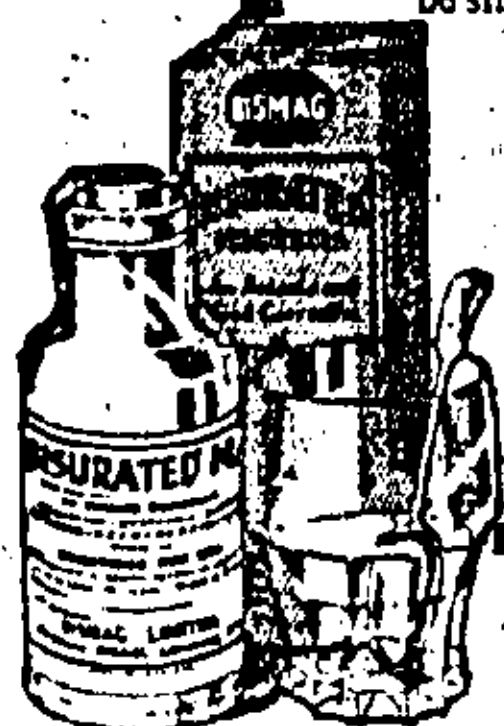
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LAST NIGHT'S FUNCTION

The "Red Dragon of Wales" and greetings in the Welsh language figured prominently amongst the seasonal decorations in the main hall of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home last night, the occasion being the entertainment of Welsh Members of His Majesty's Forces in Hong Kong by the local St. David's Society.

Music and singing being inseparably associated with Wales it was appropriate that the main part of the social evening which followed a special Christmas dinner, consisted of songs in Welsh and English, the principal contributors being Corporal Williams and a quartette from the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Games and competitions were also participated in and an enjoyable evening came to a close shortly before midnight.

Amongst the members of the Society who helped to organise the evening's entertainment were Mr. E. Lloyd Jones, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hall, Mrs. Westlake, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Price, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lewis, Mr. E. R. Price, Mr. D. F. Davies, Mr. R. Owens and Captain Evans.

The Committee of the Society also wish to thank the President of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home and several members of the General Committee of that institution, also others who helped in the entertainment. The British American Tobacco Company kindly donated cigarettes.

MARLENE WANTED TO BE A NURSE— VISITS HOSPITAL

"I am a nurse at heart," Marlene Dietrich, the film star, told the "Daily Mirror" recently, when she visited the Hospital for Sick Children in Great Ormond-street, London.

"If I could have chosen my profession I would have been a nurse. I think it must be wonderful to feel that you are doing so much good for people."

Miss Dietrich, who was dressed in a black costume embroidered with gold, visited the hospital at her own request.

"The children have known Miss Dietrich coming for three days," the matron told me, "and have been terribly excited. They have been sitting all this afternoon with their autograph books open ready for her arrival."

TO TELL HER DAUGHTER

As Marlene entered, tiny Myfanwy Evans staggered forward to present a great bunch of red roses almost twice as big as herself. But the occasion proved too much for her and she began to cry.

"Oh, darling," Marlene exclaimed, and, snatching the little girl in her arms, carried her away down a corridor along to comfort her. Myfanwy returned all smiles.

In one of the wards little Wendy Barnes presented Miss Dietrich with a doll dressed to represent her in her latest film, "Knights Without Armour," and won a lovely smile.

"I have learnt such a lot this afternoon," Marlene said after her tour of the wards. "My little daughter, Maria, wants to be a doctor, and is also very interested in nursing. I wanted to find out all about it to tell her."

LOCAL YACHTING

Remainder Win By Narrow Margin

The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club held a sailing race yesterday between "U.S." Members and The Remainder. The latter won by seven points.

Results were as follows:—
Course:—Kowloon Rock Mark (S), Channel Rocks Mark (S), Rumsey Shoal Mark (P), Club Line. Distance: 5.6 miles.
"Y" Class started at 3 p.m.
"A" Class started at 3.05 p.m.
"U.S." Members

	Pts.
A1, Carpenter (Mrs. B. P. Eley)	12 1
A2, Lobo (Mrs. E. R. Edwards)	10 3
A7, Isobel (Mrs. M. Ellerby)	9 4
A10, Cicada (Mrs. S. D. Reid)	4 9
Y3, Heron (Mrs. E. Moore)	2 11
Y8, Zephyr (Mrs. D'Arcy-Evans)	5 8
Total	36

	Pts.
A4, Artemis (Mrs. G. H. Sheldon)	7 6
A6, Joss (Miss B. Kirk)	6 7
A11, True Blue (Mrs. G. D. Adams)	3 10
A12, Kittiwake (Miss P. M. Kings)	11 2
Y5, Widgeon (Miss H. Crawhall-Wilson)	1 13
Y7, Zephyr (Miss M. Whitlam)	8 5
Total	43

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB

The Kowloon Golf Club announce the following golf results and a notice

Championship Final
R. K. Collings was the winner, defeating K. S. Robertson by 6 and 4 over the 36th Holes.

2nd Round Junior Championship
W. A. Bland defeated E. W. Gardiner by 3 and 2.

W. C. Simpson defeated F. A. Hill by 6 and 4.
H. C. Borne defeated E. H. Watts at the nineteenth.

C. G. Anderson defeated W. Ker-shaw by 4 and 3.

Captain's Cup on Dec. 19-20, 1936

Qualifiers:—

C. G. Anderson, 84-15-69.

F. E. Booker, 84-9-75.

Raffle held in aid of the Children's Playground Association
Three hundred dollars was raised for the above Association, and Members are requested to call at the Kowloon Golf Club where a list of those lucky in the draw is on view.

£126 FOR FILM ACTRESS

Mr. Justice Porter, in a reserved judgment in the King's Bench Division, awarded Miss Peggy Crawford, film actress, £126 19s. and costs in an action she had brought against Criterion Film Productions, of Brook-street, W., for injury to her eyes by the studio lights.

Mr. Gunther Krampf, a cameraman, was joined in the action, but his Lordship gave judgment in his favour.

The film company had denied negligence or breach of duty, and Mr. Krampf had pleaded that he had not control of the lights.

The lights used were in a ballroom scene in the film "The Amateur Gentleman."

Country Club

GOLF SCORES

The results of competitions played off on December 20 are as follows:—

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
E. Sadick beat H. K. Lee 3 and 2; J. J. Basto beat F. E. A. Remedios 1 up.

LADIES CUP
Mrs. A. J. Kew qualified with a score of 70 nett.

SUNDAY HERALD CUP

The following have been selected to represent Portugal against Wales on Boxing Day at the Kowloon Football Club ground:—
U. B. Sousa; L. Sousa, V. F. Costa; N. Beltrao, A. V. Gosano (Captain), N. Delgado; C. Marques, C. Santos, B. Gosano, J. Gomes, L. Fernandes.

Reserves:—E. Marques, V. Marques, H. Remedios, H. Sousa, A. M. Alves.

PLAYING-FIELDS FROM THE ASHES

The passing of the Crystal Palace leaves a desolate gap in the lives of South Londoners, who courted there, went to it for a lifetime of junketings, and built up round it a warm, living structure of communal happiness. Perhaps that is why so many people are now suggesting—it was put to me to-day by a leading citizen of Battersea, and doubtless there are thousands who agree with him—that the Crystal Palace site, which belongs to the nation, should become part of the King George V. memorial playing-fields scheme.

The possibility of such a thing has not been considered, even unofficially, at the Mansion House which for one thing does not know what are the powers of the Crystal Palace trustees in the matter. The trustees meet to-morrow, and we may know more of the possibilities after their meeting. But it seems to be generally admitted that financially, as well as for less material reasons, it is out of the question to rebuild the Palace.

The Crystal Palace has its place in history as the Victorian playground, linked equally in our thoughts with a great Queen and with a people's enjoyment. It refreshed the bodies and minds of generations. It would be appropriate to link the site with the memory of a great King and to devote it for ever to the health and happiness of the people.

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WAH YAN COLLEGE

A Satisfactory Year
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FOR PAST YEAR

After the school had already closed down for the Yuletide vacation on Saturday, Wah Yan College held its annual prize distribution yesterday morning, at which a very large crowd of friends and pupils attended.

Mr. Li Sing Kui, J.P., gave away the prizes.

A very satisfactory year was reported by the Prefect of Studies.

In his report the Prefect of Studies said:—

"Very Reverend Father Rector, Rev. Fathers, Ladies and Gentlemen, it is a thought beloved of poets and sages that growth, the most amazing phenomenon in nature, is hidden and unobtrusive. The sower goes forth to sow his seed, and having sown it, goes his way; and the seed strikes and pushes upward, steadily, secretly, till the golden flush of harvest spreads across the fields. The schoolboy wends his way day after day to the class-room; no human eye can detect the living processes of growth within his frame; yet as the years pass, the fingers that grasp his basket change, silently, quietly, from the little fingers of childhood to the strong hand of youth.

Such, too, is the story of the life and growth of a school. As week after week passes, and the monotonous, humdrum, precious work goes on, one sees day by day little of change or of improvement. Yet the life and growth are there, strong, pulsating, fruitful; and when one looks backward from some vantage-point over a longer period of school activity, it is easy to see and to appreciate the results achieved.

Such a vantage-point is this Annual Report of the Prefect of Studies. It is meant to provide at once a summary of the work done during the year that has passed, and a statement of our hopes and aspirations for the year to come.

Our last Prize Day, the most ambitious and successful in the history of the school, was held on December 21 1935. In the Queen's Theatre. The theatre was packed to overflowing, and the large audience followed with keen interest the musical and dramatic items provided. A Chinese and an English play were presented, the latter an adaptation of Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar;" both plays were excellently acted and produced. The prizes were given away by the Director of Education, Mr. G. R. Sayer.

REPORT OF SCHOOL

The College now counts an enrolment of just 900, a slight increase on last year's figures. It was not our original intention to increase our numbers this year; indeed, by cutting out two classes, 1B and 2C we made provision for a smaller school. The increase is due to two factors, both somewhat unexpected: first, the big demand for admission to the newly-formed commercial classes, and second, the excellent quality of the new boys applying for admission.

The commercial classes, which were started last January with the consent of the Board of Education, seem definitely very promising. The boys admitted to the Commercial side this year were Class 3 boys, who were aiming definitely at a Commercial career. These boys are not, of course, our most brilliant scholars, though there are a number of very clever boys amongst them. But we do feel that these boys are learning a great deal in the commercial classes; quite as much as they are capable of absorbing. They are being genuinely educated along useful lines. These classes provide for boys who lack the inclination, the talents, or the opportunity to go on for a profession, but who are destined to be, none the less, highly valuable members of society; they enable such lads to complete their education, instead of throwing them, half-educated and immature, upon an over-crowded labour market. We feel that these Commercial classes do much good, and I hope that we shall be permitted to continue them.

NEW BOYS

The large influx of new boys of high quality this year was very gratifying. So many suitable candidates applied, indeed, for Classes 3 and 4, that we were induced to continue last year's Class 3d, and to open a new division of Class 4.

4D. From the academic point of view, however, it is highly desirable that boys be sent to us, not in Classes 3 and 4, but in the lower classes, if possible in Class 8. The reason is clear. We have found by long experience that, as a general rule, our own boys who go right through from Class 8 are better than those who join later; their work is neater, they are more accurate, more orderly, more accustomed to discipline and hard work. Many boys come to us in Classes 3 and 4, who in the end never reach Class 1; and in many cases one cannot but feel that, had we had them from the beginning, they might easily have passed Matriculation. For the boys' sake, therefore, we appeal to parents who intend to entrust their sons to us, to send their boys to Wah Yan as early as possible.

The school, this year as last year, is full; there are hardly half-a-dozen vacant places in all our twenty-three classes. The average attendance has, again, been amazingly good, over 98% for the year; at least one class, 3A, has not had a single absentee for over a month at a time, and many other classes were little inferior.

SATISFACTORY RESULTS

In the School Certificate examination held last June, the Wah Yan results were most satisfactory. 41 candidates were presented, of whom 27 passed, one of them with Honours and Distinctions in no less than five subjects, English, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, and Biblical Knowledge.

This candidate, Yeung See Chung, was one of the most brilliant boys who ever passed to Wah Yan. In this examination, he was second in the Colony, and was chosen for a Government Scholarship. Before he could enjoy the fruits of this triumph, however, death claimed him for its own. A simple appendix operation was followed with tragic suddenness by general septicæmia, and within six hours of entering hospital, he was dead. Few boys have ever won to such a degree the affection and esteem of masters and fellow-pupils alike. Few, seemed, if one may say it reverently, so fit for Heaven. May he rest in peace!

SECOND PLACE

Wah Yan this year was second in the Colony in the School Certificate Examination in the number of passes; only King's College, which entered 51 candidates, beat our total of 27.

SPORTS

In sport, too, the fine record of previous years was maintained. In volleyball, our Senior team won the championship of the Hong Kong schools. In basketball, we won the Hong Kong Junior Men's League. In athletics, we were second to St. Joseph's in the Inter-school Sports, and first in the combined Land and Water Sports open to Chinese schools. This term we won the championship at the Inter-School Aquatic Sports, beating our old friends and rivals, St. Joseph's, by one point.

CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

One other matter of interest might be referred to here. It is the School Certificate Examination for Class 2 boys, the details of which were published by the Board of Education at the end of July. With the general principles underlying the new examination all will agree, though the same general approval will not be accorded to certain minor details of its provisions, nor entirely to the manner of its publication. Many schools must have been gravely embarrassed by the launching of a far-reaching scheme of this kind in the middle of the summer vacation, when staffs were scattered, and schools had already settled the details of their courses, book-lists, text-books and promotions for the coming year.

The general principle that school examinations should be organized, set and marked by school-masters is definitely sound. Though deprecated by some as an unfortunate but necessary evil, examinations, if carried out on sound lines, can be of great help in education. The new Certificate Examination is therefore welcomed. A similar welcome would be accorded to an examination at the end of Class 3, which should lay less stress on English and insist more on Chinese

BUDDHIST
TEMPLES
JUBILEEBuilt In Shanghai
Sixty Years Ago

Sixty years ago, when Shanghai still has a swamp dotted with a few brick buildings, two priests of the Shinshu Buddhist sect opened a temple on the outskirts of the city, where now is the busy corner of Peking and Honan Roads. Simultaneously, they opened the Kaido Primary School, the predecessor of the present primary school in North Szechuen Road, and enraged doctors to give medical aid to the parishioners.

With the passage of years, the Higashi Honan Temple continued to grow, until to-day it is claimed as one of the largest religious and social institutions in this city. Next May, when the temple officially celebrates its sixtieth anniversary, Count Kocho Otani, chief abbot of the Kyoto Temple, will arrive to conduct the rites, accompanied by Countess Tomoko Otani, a sister of the Empress. The chief priest of the local temple has decided to publish next spring its sixty-years' history, compiled by the chief abbot of the Joen Temple, Toyohashi city, and Mr. Tatsui Ishizaka, a Kyoto teacher.

and general educational subjects. This examination should be open to all the schools of the Colony without exception. It would be the goal of many of the smaller schools in Hong Kong, and, if efficiently carried out and controlled, would raise the standard of such schools, and be a guide to parents in the selection of schools for their children. No pupil should be allowed to sit for a higher examination until he had passed the Class 3 test.

ADMINISTRATIVE
DIFFICULTIES

That there would be administrative difficulties in the way of such an examination is obvious; but if they could be overcome, as they are being overcome in the case of Class 2, it would be all for the benefit of education in the Colony.

One provision of the new S.L.C. examination, however, runs counter to the general theory of education and to the universal practice elsewhere, that one can only conclude that it was inserted inadvertently. If so, it should be deleted quietly and without delay. If not so, then a justification of its insertion should be given.

The provision relates to optional subject, and reads (General Regulations, no. 6): "In so far as a subject may be taken alternatively under an obligatory or under the optional group, the Candidate must elect in advance (i.e. on the application for admission to the Examination) and must abide by his decision." That is to say, that a candidate, when entering months before for this examination, must declare which of his subjects are to be regarded as obligatory and which as optional; and the optional subjects promptly cease to be of the smallest use to him in his examination!

This regulation affects only three Groups; and in practice, it will, broadly speaking, affect one Group only, Group 3, the Science and Mathematics group.

SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

Now, let us consider for a moment this Group 3. To pass in it, a boy must pass in three subjects:—A Science subject, a Mathematical subject, and Arithmetic. Optional subjects may, however, be presented to the number of three; and "de facto," all our boys who go for this examination next year will present, not three scientific and mathematical subjects, but six. Let us take now, as an example, the case of two boys of equal merit, each of whom enters for the same subjects in the coming examination, and each of whom gets exactly the same marks in each subject. They both enter for Physics, Chemistry, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry; they both pass with honours, nay, get distinctions in Physics, Arithmetic, Algebra and Geometry, and fail in Chemistry and Trigonometry. The first boy, who was shrewd enough to make Physics, Arithmetic and Algebra his obligatory subjects, passes with three distinctions in Group 3; the second boy, who had the ill-luck to choose Arithmetic, Chemistry and Trigonometry as his Group 3 subjects, fails abjectly in this whole examination. Yet, notice, both boys got exactly the same marks in every subject.

There is no need to labour the point at issue; the injustice is

EUROPE'S DEBT TO AMERICA

British Attitude Unchanged

The suggestion made that Italy may resume payment of her debt to America, and that her example may be followed by Britain and France, has aroused much interest. Rumours of the same sort have been circulating since Signor Su- vich, the former Italian Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, was sent as Ambassador to Washington on a "special mission."

The explanation generally given is that Italy is seeking credits to finance the development of Abyssinia, but is prevented by the

Johnson Act from obtaining them as long as she remains in default. British circles deny any knowledge of a change of attitude on the debt question, so far, at any rate, as the British Government is concerned.

It can be assumed, however, that the debt payments could only be resumed in co-operation with France and Italy, as the decision to stop them was taken jointly and covered debts due to Britain by those Powers as well as the British debt to America.

apparent. To penalize a boy in this way merely because, months before the examination takes place, he happens to estimate incorrectly his own probable knowledge in four months' time, is the negation of true pedagogy.

Further, from the point of view of the school-master, this provision tends to put a premium on bed teaching. In this college, 13 periods per week are allotted to scientific and mathematical subjects in Class 2; and more cannot be allotted. Now clearly, under this provision, optional subjects are perfectly useless for examination purposes. If one wished to use these 13 periods to the best advantage for examination results, one would promptly cut out all alternative subjects, and devote the whole time to, say, Arithmetic, Geometry, and Chemistry only. If that were done, it is practically certain that all the boys whom we have in Class 2 would pass with ease in Group 3. But such a course would be a mere parody of a "mathematical and scientific group."

We value the education of the pupils entrusted to our care more than examination results; and because of that, because we endeavour to give them a fuller and more adequate course in Science and Mathematics, both they and we are penalized.

IMPORTANT POINT RAISED

The point raised is one which affects all boys entering for the examination this year. It is an important one, and one which could and should be rectified. There is no question of altering or in any way disturbing the courses or arrangements for the coming examination. All that is necessary is to delete one paragraph of the

PRINCESS JULIANA'S
HONEYMOON

Part In Scotland?

A part of the honeymoon of Princess Juliana and Prince Bernhard, who are to be married in January, may be spent in Scotland. A journey to Scotland is being considered.

Princess Juliana and her mother, Queen Wilhelmina, spent more than a month at St. Fillans, on Loch Earn, Perthshire, last year, and on their departure expressed their delight at their holiday.

CAMBRIDGE FELLOW
LEAVES £112,000

Mr. Robert Webb, Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge, left £112,911, so far as can at present be ascertained (net personality £112,757). Estate duty £22,579.

General Regulations, equipping for this year at least, obligatory and optional subjects. That this paragraph will be changed, and speedily is inevitable; but it would be a pity if it were left as an unhappy legacy for some future Board. It is of vital importance to the boys of this year.

It remains for me merely to congratulate all the boys on the excellent spirit of docility, industry and friendliness which reigns in the school at present; a spirit which proves to the least observant that, in the schoolroom at least, East and West can meet in fullest sympathy and understanding.

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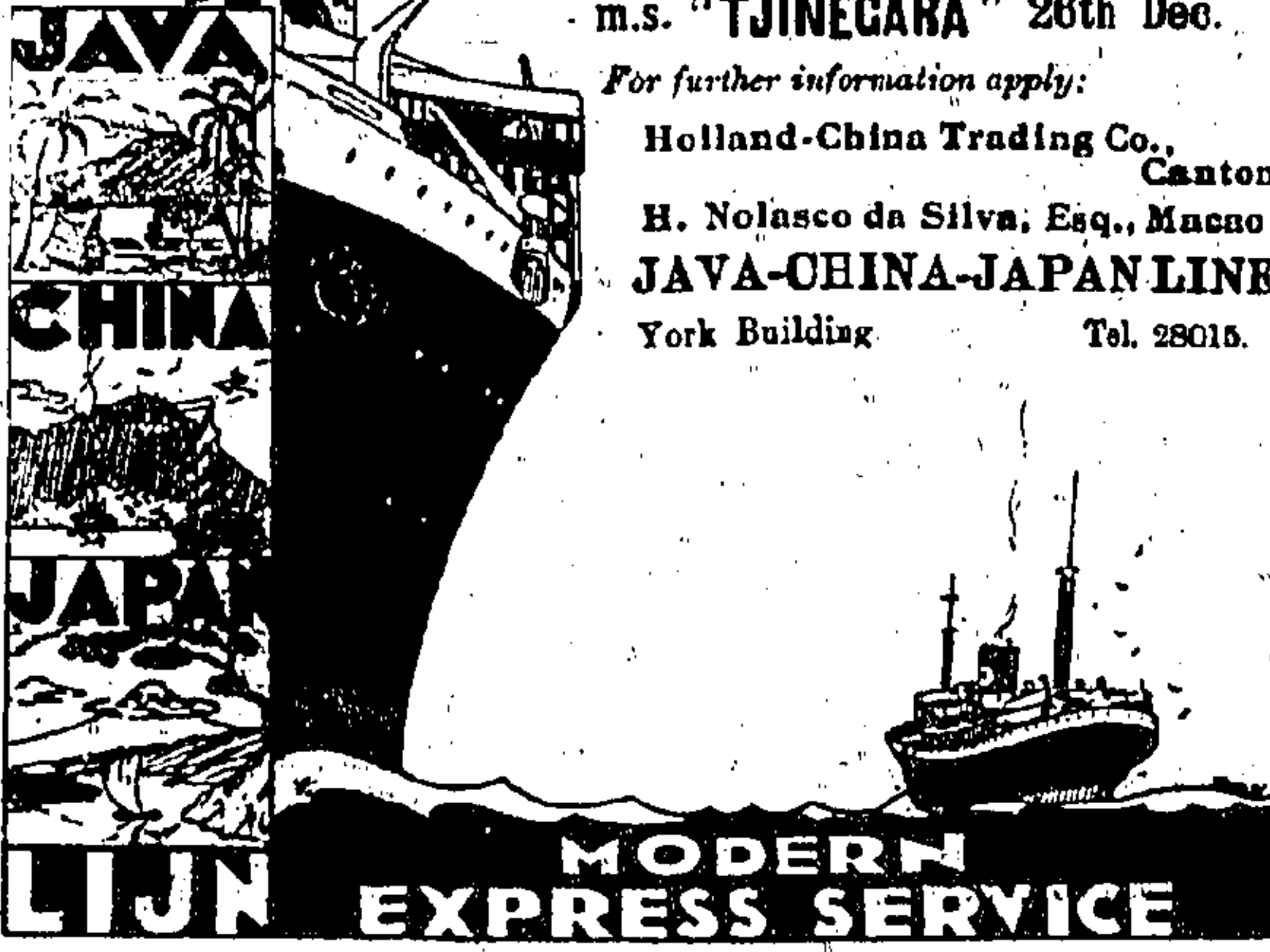
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THE EXCHANGE
MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS.

Hong Kong, Dec. 21.

Ready Silver rose 1/8 over the
week-end and the Forward rate
1/16. The quotations being 21 3/8
and 21 5/16 respectively. Silver
advices reported India as hav-
ing bought China sold. The mar-
ket was quietly steady.The London-New York cross-
rate was quoted at 4.91. New
York-London was quoted at 4.91
3/32.

MARKET

Opened a shade lower than on

Saturday but later steadied up

slightly.

STERLING

Opened with sellers at 1/2 29/32

leading to business subsequently

at 1/2 15/16 for Cash, January

and March. The market closed

at 1 p.m. with probable sellers

at 1/2 15/16 for near and forward

buyers at 1/2 31/32 for any de-
livery.

U.S. DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 30 9/16

Business was done subsequently

at 30 9/16 Cash, January. The

market closed at 1 p.m. with sel-
lers at 30 1/2 December-April,
buyers at 30 5/8 December-Jan-
uary and 30 9/16 February-April.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Sellers were quoted at 102 3/8

buyers at 102 1/2 for cash.

SHANGHAI MARKET

There were sellers of Sterling at

1/2 15/32 for Spot and U.S. Dollars

at 29 1/2 for Spot.

IN THE AFTERNOON

The tone seemed steadier in the

afternoon.

IN STERLING

No business was reported. The

market closed with sellers at 1/2

15/16 December-April, buyers at

1/2 31/32 for any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS

The market closed with sellers

at 30 9/16 December-February and

probably March, buyers at 30 5/8
for delivery.ATLANTIC AIR
SERVICE PLAN

Flights With Mail

Soon

OTHER COUNTRIES
IN THE FIELD

Trans-Atlantic air mails were

discussed by Brig-Gen. Sir Freder-
ic Williamson, Director of Postal

Services lecturing at the Royal

United Service Institution, White-
hall, recently.

"The next big problem looming

ahead," he said, "is the bridge-
ing of the Atlantic by a regular airservice, linking Great Britain with
Canada and the United States.

"Provisional arrangements have

been made between the Govern-
ments concerned, and it is hopedthat experimental flights will
shortly begin.

"But experiment is one thing

and regular practical operation

another," added Sir Frederic.

"Other countries are in the field,

and varying methods are being
tried.

"He will be a bold man who tries

to fix the precise date on which a
regular mail and passenger servicebetween Europe and North Amer-
ica will be a realised fact, or whoventures to say whether the aero-
plane or the airship will ultimate-
ly hold the field for long trans-
oceanic flights."

COST OF UNION'S SERVICE

Sir Frederic said the Post Office

was responsible for two per cent.

of the whole earnings of British

railways—£2,000,000 annually for

letter mail, and £2,000,000 for par-
cels.

He described the International

Postal Union as "one of the un-
seen bases of civilisation," and

pointed out that it cost Britain

only about £300 a year, and small

States only about £20.

Referring to arrangements for

serving the Fleet and the Army in
peace and war, he mentioned "a
little hitch" during the War when,
owing to duplication of ships' names, the whole of a battleship's
mail was sent to a collier of the
same name.During the War, in order effec-
tively to sort the Army's mail, it
was necessary that the Post Office
should have complete information
of the whereabouts of every unit.
There was no record of any leak-
age ever having taken place.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuters Service)

QUOTATIONS

New York, December 20.

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton—Mar.	12.38	12.18	12.30	.01 up
New York Rubber—Mar.	30.46	30.40	30.41	.06 up
Chicago Wheat—May	1.33	1.31	1.33	1/4 off
Chicago Corn—May	1.06	1.04	1.04	unchanged
Silver—Official			45	

	1896	1906	1916	1926	1936
Dow Jones Averages	185.39	143.11	179.43	179.07	177.61
30 Industrials	185.39	143.11	179.43	179.07	177.61
30 Rails	80.48	40.69	54.33	53.96	52.70
30 Utilities	38.16	33.23	34.74	34.88	34.44
40 Bonds	108.01	98.92	105.56	105.35	105.35
11 Commodity Index	77.95	55.58	78.44	78.39	78.39

Business Done:—1,310,000 shares.

Last Sale

Dec. 18 19

Stocks

Adams Express 14 1/4

Allis Chalmers 74 1/4

Amer. Can 113 1/4

Am. Car & Foundry 34 1/4

Amer. Cyanamid 34 1/4

Amer. & For. Power 57 1/4

Amer. Locomotive 45 1/4

Amer. Metals 49 1/4

Amer. Radiator 24 1/4

Amer. Rolling Mill 34 1/4

Amer. Smelting 92 1/4

Amer. Steel F'dries 57 1/4

Amer. Sugar 52 1/4

Amer. Tel. & Tel. 184 1/4

Amer. Tobacco "B" 98 1/4

Amer. Waterworks 25 1/4

Anaconda Copper 50 1/4

Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe. 70 1/4

Atlantic Refining 29 1/4

Atlas Corp. 16 1/4

Auburn Motors 31 1/4

Baldwin Locomotive 17 1/4

Barnes & Co. 10 1/4

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BOERSThe story of the pioneer ex-
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last expedition of its kind in
building the British Empire, only
44 years ago, is told in "Rhodes
Goes North," by Mr. J. E. S. Green,
published by G. Bell and Sons, Ltd.The writer tells how, on the
spur of the moment, at a chance
meeting with Rhodes at breakfast
in a Kimberley hotel, 23-year-old
Frank Johnson, a concession
hunter, offered to lead the pioneer
column North. He would do it
at one-tenth the cost and with
one-tenth the number of men
that Colonel Carrington, of the
Bechuanaland Police, said were
necessary.The race to beat the Boers was
won. The British column was
organised, trained, and reached
the Matabele border, the Shashi
river.A party of Matabele appeared
with a letter from the King,
writes Mr. Green. "The King
would not allow a new road to be
made to the North by the pioneers.
The white men must turn back.
In order that the Matabele might
be under no misapprehensions as
to his intentions, Colonel Penne-
father (commanding the police
with the column) sent Selous, the
scout, across the river with orders
to start cutting the road forth-
with."A wagon road was to be cut
through 200 miles of thick and
sometimes dense bush, across
rivers with steep banks and sandy
beds; bridges had to be built."All this the pioneer column ac-
complished with the constant
threat of attack by an overwhelm-
ing force of Matabele, without
hope of outside help if the attack
was made."Nobody trusted the Matabele.
Everyone from Kruger downwards
said the pioneers would be murder-
ed. Rhodes in particular was
racked with anxiety as he madeing gold in quantity by transmuta-
tion," Charlatans

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SWATOW, SHAL, TIENTSIN, WEIMAI, TAO & TIENTSIN	"YCHOW"	On 25th Dec. 10 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KWANGTUNG"	On 25th Dec. 3 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"KINGYUAN"	On 25th Dec. 5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SHANTUNG"	On 27th Dec. 10 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"MUINAM"	On 27th Dec. 11 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI	"TS NAN"	On 29th Dec. 5 p.m.
SWATOW, TIENTSIN & TIENTSIN	"CHENGTO"	On 30th Dec. 10 a.m.
CHONG, DAIKIN & TIENTSIN	"NINGHAI"	On 30th Dec. 10 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KAYING"	On 1st Jan. 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN	"YUNNAN"	On 1st Jan. 5 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWEIYANG"	On 3rd Jan. 10 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOI, SWATOW, SINGAPORE & PENANG	"ANNHUN"	On 4th Jan. 2 p.m.

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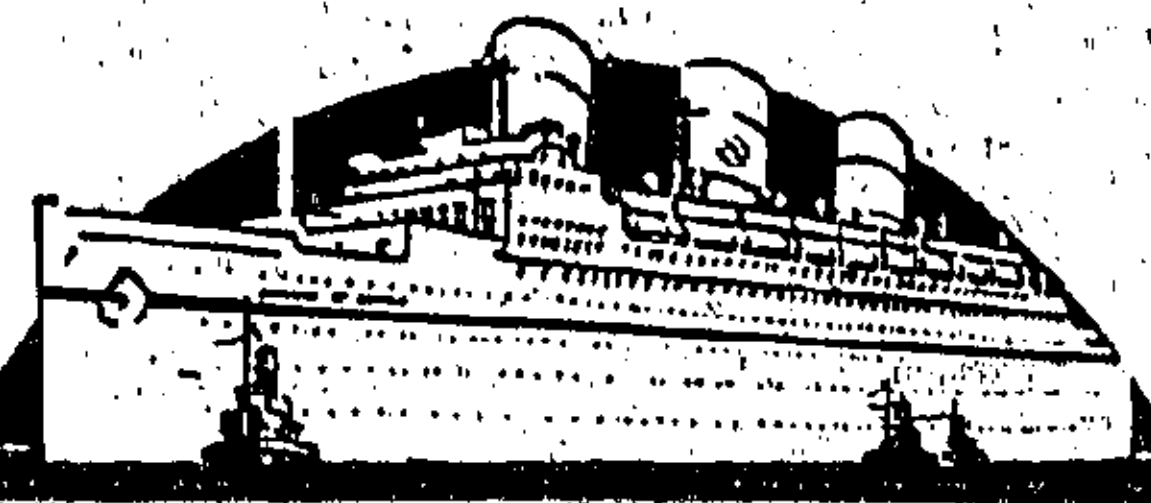
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MOVEMENTS OF SHIPS

To-Day's Arrivals

(BY T.S.M.)

M.V. "FERNHILL"
The M.V. "Fernhill" of the Maersk Line (Jessen & Co., Agents) is due here to-day. She comes from Shanghai.

M.S. "TJINEGARA"
The M.S. "Tjinegara" of the Java-China-Japan Lijn arrives here to-day, and will berth at one of the Harbour Buys.

She comes from Java, and will leave here for Amoy and Shanghai on Saturday, December 26 at 9.00 a.m.

Letters of destination will be received at the General Post Office up to 10.00 a.m. on Friday, December 25.

S.S. "TALMA"
The S.S. "Talma" of the P. and O. E. and A. B.I. and Apcar Lines (Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Company, Agents) is due here to-morrow at 6 a.m., and will berth alongside the Kowloon Wharf.

She comes from Calcutta and the Straits, and will leave here for Shanghai and Japan on Thursday, December 24.

S.S. "ALIPORE"
The S.S. "Alipore" of the P. and O. Line (Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Company, Agents) will arrive here to-morrow at 5.00 p.m.

She comes from Kobe, and will sail for Bombay and Karachi on Thursday, December 24.

S.S. "KWANGTUNG"
The S.S. "Kwangtung" of the China Navigation Company, Ltd. (Butterfield and Swire, Agents) is due here to-morrow, and will be moored to one of the Harbour Buys.

She comes from Shanghai and Swatow, and will leave here for Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong on Friday, December 25 at 3.00 p.m.

Letters of destination will be received at the General Post Office up to 10.00 a.m. on Friday, December 25.

M.S. "TRAVE"
The M.S. "Trave" of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen (Melchers and Company, Agents) will arrive here on January 3 next, and will sail for Europe (via Singapore and Ports) on the same day, instead of on December 31 as previously advised.

R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF RUSSIA"
The R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Limited left Vancouver, B.C. for Hong Kong (via Japan Ports and Shanghai) on Friday morning, December 18.

She is due at Hong Kong on Thursday morning, January 7 next, and after discharging cargo, she will proceed to the Kowloon Dock for annual overhaul.

NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

Freight And Asiatic
Passengers Returns

(BY LONGSHORRMAN).

The freight returns, received from the Harbour Office during the 24 hours ended at 9.00 a.m. yesterday, showed a moderate tonnage movement.

The total tonnage of general cargo carried by vessels to the Colony was 3,716 tons, with British steamers carrying 1,389 tons.

Through cargo for ports beyond the Colony amounted to 17,764 tons, of which 4,129 tons were carried by British steamers.

Asiatic deck passengers entering into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were 1,358, of which 832 were from British steamers.

There were altogether nine arrivals of which four were of British registry, the remainder being of other nationalities, while of the twelve departures, six were British ships the rest being of other different countries. Particulars as follows:-

Nationality	Ships	Tonnage
British	4	5,518
Dutch	1	1,257
Norwegian	1	2,708
Japanese	2	11,907
Chinese	1	—
Total	9	21,480

VESSELS DUE

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Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2
Pleasantville, Bank Line, December 27
Potdam, Melchers', January 12
Pres. Garfield, Dollar's, Jan. 15
Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, Jan. 14
Pres. Taft, Dollar's, Jan. 4
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, Jan. 1
Pruessen, Jessen's, December 30
Pyrrhus, B. & S., Jan. 25
Rajputana, P. & O., Jan. 8
Rames, Jessen's, January 8
Rampura, P. & O., December 24
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Jan. 7
Rheinland, Jessen's, January 4
Sauerland, Jessen's, January 5
Schwarzhof, Melchers', Dec. 25
Sirdana, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 5
Small, P. & O., Jan. 1
Suisan, Jardine's, December 27
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, January 15
Talamba, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 31
Talisman, B. & S., December 31
Tartar, Tharson's, Dec. 31
Telassias, B. & S., December 28
Teneer, B. & S., Jan. 29
Tigre, Tharson's, Dec. 27
Titan, B. & S., Jan. 8
Tijbadak, J.C.J. Line, January 6
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, December 23
Tjissroen, J.C.J. Line, January 2
Toyama Maru, N.Y.K. Dec. 27
Trove, Melchers', January 3
Tyndarous, B. & S., December 22
Van Houten, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 29
Zouderkerk, J.C.J. Line, January 3.

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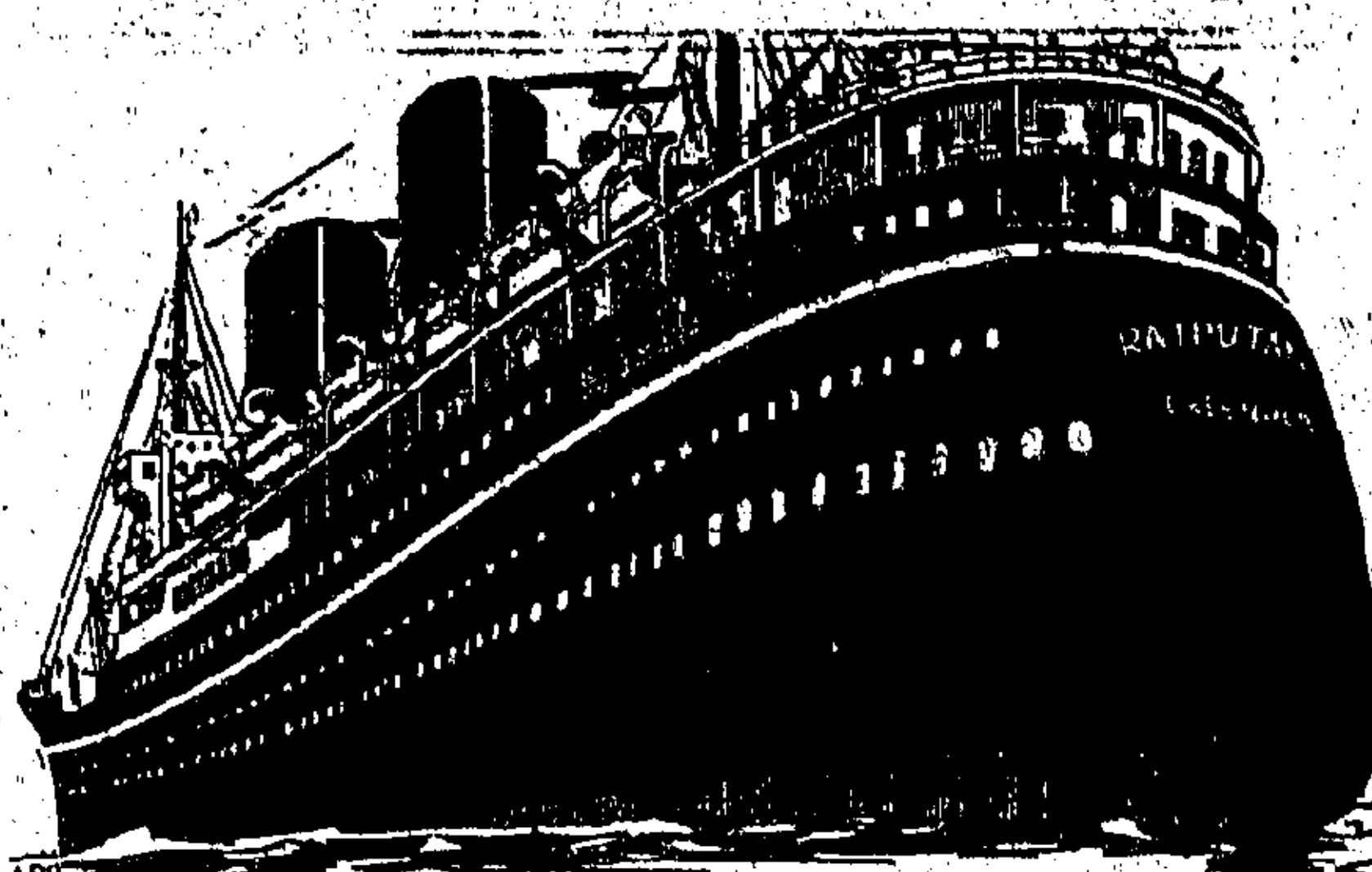
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*RAJPUTANA	17,000	9th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KIDDERPORE	5,000	10th Jan.	Bombay & Karachi.
*RAMPURA	17,000	23rd Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BANGALORE	6,000	30th Jan.	Mars. Havre, London, H'bg, R'dam, Antwerp & Hull.
*RAWALPINDI	17,000	6th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
*CORFU	14,500	20th Feb.	do.
*BHUTAN	6,000	27th Feb.	Mars. Havre, London, H'burg, R'dam, Antwerp & Hull.
*NALDERA	16,000	6th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BEHAR	6,000	13th Mar.	Mars. Havre, London, Hamburg, R'dam, Antwerp & Hull.
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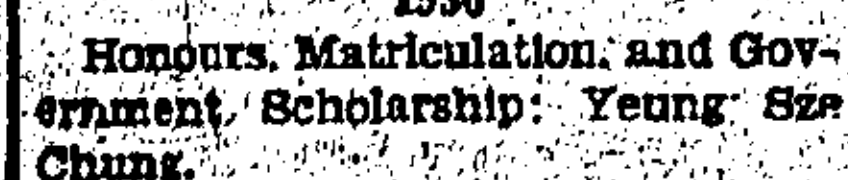
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